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Journal of H. of Reps. for 1862.

Hall of the House of Representatives,
Monday, November 3d 1862.

This being the day fixed upon by the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, for the Meeting of the General Assembly, and a quorum of the House of Representatives appearing within the Hall of the House of Representatives in the State House at Little Rock,

Hon. S. W. Scott, of Clark Co. (the Clerk of the last session not being present) called the House to order.

On motion of Mr. Pettus, of Perry, Mr. Collins of Baxter was called to the Chair.

The following communication was received from the Secretary of State.

Office of Secretary of State
Little Rock Ark.
Nov. 3d 1862

I, Jno. I. Sterman Secretary of State of Arkansas, do hereby certify that the following is a correct list of the Members of the House of Representatives as appears from the returns on file in my office

John I. Sterman
Secy. of State.

Arkansas — Sterling R. Richardson
Ashley — Robert Fricker
Baxter — J. H. Hammack & W. B. Fain
Bradley — J. R. Collins
Calhoun — B. F. Teague
Carroll — Isham R. Holt & Arthur A. Baker
Chicot — J. M. Lowry
Clark — S. W. Scott
Columbia — C. A. Gantt & T. A. Goodwin
Conway — Russell Wilcox
Craighead — Z. Stoddard
Crawford — Jno. Harrell & R. C. Oliver
Crittenden — No Election
Dallas — E. W. Harris
Desha — Alf. Harding
Drew — Benj. Collins & E. N. Haynes
Franklin — A. L. Berry
Fulton — J. W. Cochran

Prairie — Saml. Wilcoxin
Hempstead — Jno. B. Robbins, & M. V. Cheatham
Hot Spring — E. E. Jones
Independence — S. B. Wyncoop — W. D. Jenkins & L. B. Pike
Izard — R. H. Powell
Jackson — Rufus H. Martin
Jefferson — Willoughby Williams Jr. & A. B. English
Johnson — L. C. Howell & W. H. Connelly
Lafayette — A. M. McCollum
Lawrence — J. J. Turner & Wm R. Jones
Madison — Jas. R. Berry & R. F. Taylor
Marion — J. E. Hull
Monroe — No Election
Montgomery — E. G. Hurt
Mississippi — No Election
Newton — Robt. W. Harrison
Ouachita — Henry A. Dunn
Perry — Wm Wilson
Phillips — No Election
Pike — W. B. Gould
Poinsett — A. M. Winn
Polk — J. B. Williamson
Pope — Jno. M. Faddem
Prairie — B. M. Barnes
Pulaski — W. L. Pennington & Thos. Fletcher
Randolph — J. H. Perkins
Saline — Robt. Murphy
Scott — Lijah Leming
Searcy — Jno. Bradshaw
Sebastian — Jno. Clarnall & E. [illegible]. Neal
Sevier — A. T. Pettus & Geo. Pettigrew
St. Francis — J. T. Harrelson & Ed. Mallory
Union — R. Goodwin, & T. R. Williams
Van Buren — Jno. L. Lafferty
Washington — E. H. Phillips, J. M. Little, Richd. Byrd & C. R. Fenton
White — Thos. Moseley
Yell — Wm Lissell

All of the above named gentlemen with the exception of Messrs. Berry, of Madison, Cheatham, English, Moseley, Powell, League & Wycoop, then came forward and were sworn in by Chief Justice English, and took their seats as Members of the House of Representatives for their respective counties.

Mr. Chairman then announced that nominations for Speaker of the House of Representatives were in order

Mr. Gould of Pike, ~~of Scott~~ nominated Mr. S. M. Scott of Lewis

Mr. Pennington of Pulaski nominated Mr. A. J. Pettus of Sevier.

Mr. Learnall, of Sebastian nominated Mr. John Harrall of Crawford.

There being no further nominations the roll was then called

Those members who voted for Mr. Scott were: Messrs. Bradshaw, Byrd, Collins of Drew, Fenton, Gantt, Goodwin of Columbia, Goodwin of Union, Gould, Harrelson, Harding, Harris, Haynes, Hull, Hurt, Jones of Hot Spring, Jones of Lawrence, Lowry, Mallory, Martin, McCollum, Murphy, Naylor, Perkins, Richardson, Robbins, Tucker, Turner, Wilcoxen, Williamson, & Wise — 30.

Those members who voted for Mr. Pettus were: Messrs. Barnes, Collins of Bradley, Fletcher, Furr, Harrall, Neal, Pennington, Pettigrew, Scott, Sissell, Stoddard, Wilson, & Wilson — 13.

Those members who voted for Mr. Harrall were: Messrs. Baker, Berry of Franklin, Learnall, Cochran, Connelly, Fain, Hammack, Harrison, Holt, Howell, Jenkins, Lafferty, Lewis, McFadden, Oliver, Pettus, Phillips, Porter, Tuttle & Williams of Jefferson — 20.

The Chairman announced that neither of the candidates having received a majority of all the votes cast, there was no choice, and directed that the Roll be called again

Mr. Pennington withdrew the name of Mr. Pettus

Those members who voted for Mr. Scott were: Messrs. Bradshaw, Collins of Bradley, Collins of Drew, Gould, Harrelson, Harding, Harrall, Harris, Haynes, Hull, Hurt, Jones of Hot Spring, Jones of Lawrence, Lowry, Mallory, Martin, McCollum, Murphy, Naylor, Pennington, Perkins, Richardson, Robbins, Sissell, Stoddard, Tucker, Turner, Wilcoxen, Williamson, & Wise — 30.

Those members who voted for Mr. Harrall were: Messrs. Baker, Barnes, Berry of Franklin, Byrd,

Carnall, Cochran, Connelly, Dain, Denton, Fletcher Furr, Gantt, Gordon of Columbia, Hammack, Harrison, Holt, Howell, Jenkins, Lafferty, Leming McFadden, Neal, Olion, Pettigrew, Pettus, Phillips Porter, Scott, Tuttle, Wellborn, Williams of Jefferson & Wilson — 32.

Mr. Chairman announced that Hon. Jno. Harrell of Crawford Co. having received a majority of all the votes cast, was duly and Constitutionally elected Speaker of the House of Representatives for and during the term prescribed by law.

Mr. Chairman appointed Reprs. Scott & Pettus to conduct the Speaker elect to the Chair.

Mr. Harrell was then sworn into the office by Chief Justice English, and after returning his thanks to the Members for the honor conferred upon him, entered upon the discharge of his duties.

Mr. Speaker announced that nominations for Principal Clerk were in order

Mr. Sissell nominated Mr. L.B. Cunningham of Washington Co.

Mr. Baker nominated Mr. A.M. Woodruff of Pulaski Co.

There being no further nominations Mr. Speaker directed the roll to be called.

Those Members who voted for Mr. Cunningham were Reprs. Berry of Franklin, Broadaway, Byrd, Cochran Collins of Bradley, Connelly, Dain, Denton, Hammack Holt, Howell, Jenkins, Leming, McFadden, Naylor Neal, Olion, Pettigrew, Phillips, Porter, Sissell, Tuttle, Wellborn, Williams of Jefferson, Williamson & Mr. Speaker — 26.

Those Members who voted for Mr. Woodruff were Reprs. Baker, Burnes, Carnall, Collins of Drew, Fletcher, Furr, Gantt, Gordon of Columbia, Gomed, Harelson Harding, Harris, Harrison, Haynes, Hull, Hurt Jones of Hot Spring, Jones of Lawrence, Lafferty, Lowry Malloy, Martin, McCollum, Murphy, Pennington Pettus, Perkins, Richardson, Robbins, Scott, Stoddard Sneed, Warner, Wileden, Wilson & Winn — 36

Mr. Speaker then announced that A.M. Woodruff having received a majority of all the votes cast was duly and legally elected Clerk of

the House of Representatives for and during the term prescribed by law.

Mr. Woodruff was then sworn into office by Chief Justice English & then entered upon the discharge of his duties

Mr. Speaker then announced that nominations for Assistant Clerk were in order

On motion of Mr. Collins of Drew. Editors & Reporters of Newspapers were allowed seats within the bar of the House.

Mr. Olive nominated Mr. G.A. Shaffer of [redacted]

Mr. Pettis nominated Mr. A.F. Woodard of Pulaski Co

And there being no further nominations made, Mr Speaker directed the roll of members to be called –

Those members who voted for Mr Shaffer were Messrs. Berry of Franklin, Byrd, Carroll, Cochran, Collins of Drew, Connelly, Ferrin, Fenton, Fuzz, Holt, Howell Hull, Hurt, Lafferty, Lenning, McFadden, Neal, Oliver Phillips, Porter, Perkins, Pritte, Welborn, Wynne & Mr Speaker – 25.

Those members who voted for Mr Woodard were Messrs Baker, Bass, Bradshaw, Collins of Bradley Fletcher, Gould, Hammack, Henderson, Harding Harris, Harrison Haynes, Jones of Hot Spring Jones of Lawrence, Mallory, Martin, McCollum Murphy, Naylor, Pennington, Pettigrew, Pettus Richardson, Robins, Scott, Sissel, Stoddard, Tucker, Warren, Wilson, Williams of Jefferson Williamson & Wilson – 33.

Mr Speaker announced that Mr Woodard having received a majority of all the votes cast, was duly and legally elected Assistant Clerk of the House of Representatives for and during the term prescribed by law –

Mr Woodard was then sworn in by Chief Justice English and entered upon the discharge of his duties –

On motion of Mr Pettus the election of Enrolling Clerk of the House of Representatives was suspended for the present –

Mr Speaker announced that nominations for Sergeant at Arms were in order.

Mr Baker nominated Mr J.W.T. Hinsley of Pulaski Co

Mr Collins of Drew nominated Mr F.P. Hatton of

Mr Lenton nominated Mr John Elliott of

The following nominations Mr Speaker directed

the Roll to be called.

Those members who voted for Mr Hatton were Messrs Cannall, Cochran, Collins of Bradley, Collins of Dixon, Cornelly, Fain, Fuller, Goodwin of Columbia, Goodwin of Union, Gould, Hannaberry, Harding, Harris, Hamilton, Haynes, Howell, Hull, Lowry, Mallory, McFadden, Neal, Oliver, Pettigrew, Pettus, Porter, Perkins, Scott, Sifpel, Tucker, Wilborn, Williams of Jefferson, Williams of Union, Williamson, 31 –

Those members who voted for Mr Hensley were Messrs Baker, Barnes, Bradshaw, Byrd, Fletcher, Gantt, Hammock, Hurt, Jenkins, Jones of Hot Spring, Jones of Lawrence, Lafferty, Lenning, McCollum, Murphy, Pennington, Phillips, Richardson, Robins, Warner, Welborn, Wilson, & Mr Speaker – 24 –

Mr Speaker announced that neither of the candidates having received a majority of all the votes cast, there was no choice, and directed the Roll to be again called –

Those members who voted for Mr Hatton were Messrs Cannall, Cochran, Collins of Bradley, ~~Collins~~ Collins of Dixon, Cornelly, Fain, Fuller, Goodwin of Columbia and Goodwin of Union, Gould, Hannaberry, Harding, Harris, Hamilton, Haynes, Hull, Howell, Hurt, Jenkins, Lowry, Mallory, Martin, McFadden, Naylor, Neal, Oliver, Pettigrew, Pettus, Porter, Perkins, Scott, Sifpel, Stoddard, Tucker, Tuttle, Wilborn, Williams of Jefferson, Williams of Union, Williamson & Wynne, 40 –

Those members who voted for Mr Hensley were Messrs Baker, Barnes, Berry of Franklin, Bradshaw, Byrd, Fenton, Fletcher, Gantt, Hammock, Holt, Jones of Hot Spring, Jones of Lawrence, Lafferty, Lenning, McCollum, Murphy, Pennington, Phillips, Richardson, Robins, Warner, Welborn, Wilson, & Mr Speaker – 24 –

Mr Speaker announced that Mr Hatton having received a majority of all the votes cast, was duly and legally elected Door Keeper of the House of Representatives, for and during the term prescribed by law.

Mr Hatton then came forward and was sworn into office by Chief Justice English and entered upon the discharge of his duties –

Mr Speaker then announced that nominations for Page of the House of Representatives were in order,

Mr Perkins nominated Master E. J. McConnell
Mr Ames of Lawrence nominated Master A. G. Hill
There being no further nominations, Mr Speaker directed the roll to be called.

Those members who voted for Master McConnell were Messrs Baker, Berry of Franklin, Bradshaw, Bryant, Cochran, Connelly, Fair, Gantt, Goodwin of Columbia, Goodwin of Union, Gould, Hammond, Harris, Holt, Howell, Hull, Jenkins, Lafferty, Lanning, Martin, McCollum, McFadden, Naylor, Neal, Oliver, Pettigrew, Porter, Pinkins, Richardson, Scott, Spiell, Stoddard, Tucker, Tuttle, Wilcoxen, Williams of Union, Williamson, Wynn & Mr Speaker. 39 –

Those members who voted for Master Hill were Messrs Barnes, Byrd, Collins of Bradley, Collins of Drew, Fenton, Fletcher, Furr, Hanaleson, Harding, Harrison, Hart, Jones of Hot Spring, Jones of Lawrence, Lowry, Mallory, Murphy, Pennington, Pettigrew, Phillips, Robins, Warner, Welborn, Williams of Jefferson & Wilson – 24 –

Mr Haynes voted for Mr Scott – 1 –

Mr Speaker announced that Master McConnell having received a majority of all the votes cast, was duly elected Page of the House of Representatives for and during the present session.

On motion of Mr Pinkins the vote postponing the election of Enrolling Clerk was reconsidered.

On motion of Mr Collins the House proceeded to the election of Enrolling Clerk.

Mr Tucker nominated Mr E. B. Blanks

There being no further nomination Mr Speaker directed the roll to be called –

Those members who voted for Mr Blanks were Messrs Baker, Barnes, Berry of Franklin, Bradshaw, Byrd, Carnall, Cochran, Collins of Bradley, Collins of Drew, Connelly, Fair, Fenton, Fletcher, Furr, Gantt, Goodwin of Columbia, Goodwin of Union, Gould, Hammond, Hanaleson, Harding, Harris, Harrison, Haynes, Holt, Howell, Hull, Hurt, Jenkins, Jones of Hot Spring, Jones of Lawrence, Lafferty, Lanning, Lowry, Mallory, Martin, McCollum, McFadden, Murphy, Naylor, Neal, Oliver, Pennington, Pettigrew, Pettus, Phillips, Porter, Pinkins, Richardson, Robins, Scott, Spiell, Stoddard, Tucker, Tuttle, Warner, Welborn, Wilcoxen, Williams of Jefferson

Williams of Union, Williamson, Wynne & Mr Speaker, 64 –
Mr Speaker announced that Mr Blanks having received all the votes cast was duly and legally elected Enrolling Clerk of the House of Representatives for and during the term prescribed by law

Mr. Pittus offered the following resolution

Resolved. That a message be sent to the senate informing that body that the House has organized by electing Hon. Geo. Hassell of Crawford Co. Speaker. A. M. Nordhoff of Pulaski Co. Principal Clerk; A. F. Woodard of Pulaski Co. Assistant Clerk; E. B. Blanks of Pulaski Co. Enrolling Clerk; J. P. Hallum of Drew Co. Doorkeeper, and are now ready to proceed to business

Which was read and adopted

Mr. Scott moved that the House go into the election of an Assistant Doorkeeper

The following message was received from the Senate by the hands of their secretary:

Mr. Speaker. I am instructed to inform your honorable body that the Senate of Arkansas has organized by the election of the following officers. Hon. Thos. Fletcher President; Jno. D. Kimball Secretary; S. H. Bayliss, Ass. Secretary; Jno. N. Woodward Enrolling Secretary, Nath. Daniel Carson, Sergeant at Arms and are now ready to proceed to business

The Senate have adopted the following resolution

Resolved. That a committee of three be appointed by the President, to act with such Committee as may be appointed by the House to inform His Excellency the Governor that the two Houses of the General Assembly are now organized and ready to receive any communication he may think necessary to make.

~~[illegible]~~ your Honorable body is respectfully asked to concur.

The committee under said resolution on the part of the Senate are Messrs. Bunch, Whitfield and Trimble

Jno. D. Kimball
Sec. of Senate

Mr Pennington seconded Mr Scott's motion, and upon the ayes being taken the motion was lost –

Mr Scott called for a division, and upon a count, 17 votes in the affirmative and 31 in the negative, so Mr Scott's

motion was lost.

On motion of Mr Scott the Door Keeper was authorized to employ an assistant.

On motion of Mr Perkins the following Resolution was adopted.

Resolved; That the rules governing the regular session of the General Assembly in the session of 1860 & 1861 be adopted for the government of this House for the present session

Mr Collins of Drew offered the following resolution

Resolved. that a committee of three be appointed by the Speaker to act with such Committee on the part of the Senate to wait upon the Governor and notify him that the two Houses are organized and are now ready to receive any communication he may be disposed to make

Which was read and adopted

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Collins of Drew, Learnall and Scott said Committee

On motion of Mr. Oliver the House adjourned till tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock.

John Harrell Speaker

Hall of the House of Representatives
Tuesday Nov. 4th 1862.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Messrs. Berry of Madison, Blackburn, English, Hammond, Hurd, Hunt, Mosley, Naylor, Pennington, Pettigrew, Sidel ~~Williams of Franklin~~, Williamson & Wyncoop were absent.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved

Mr. Scott was called to the Chair.

Messrs. Trap, Hance & Mosley appeared and were sworn in by Mr. Speaker

Mr. Jones of Lawrence offered the following resolution

Resolved. – That the Secretary of State be requested to furnish each Member of this House with a copy of the Statutes & also a copy of the pamphlet Acts and Journals of the last session of the General Assembly and also a copy of the Acts and Journals of the last called session, together with the ordinances of the Convention, during the present session

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. Collins of Drew Chairman of the Committee on

the part of the House to wait on the Governor made the following report which was read & adopted

Mr. Speaker, Your committee appointed on yesterday to act with a similar committee on the part of the Senate, to wait on His Excellency the Governor to apprise him of the organization of the two Houses and that they are prepared to receive from him any communication he may desire to make, ask to be heard to report that they have discharge the duty assigned them and that his Excellency will to day at 10 o'clock a.m. send in his Message with accompanying documents

Benj. Colling
Chm on part of House

Mr. ~~Barnes~~ Collins of Dra offered the following resolution

Resolved, that the ~~Senate~~ House be and is hereby invited into the House of the House this day at 10. o'clock a.m. to hear the Message of his Excellency the Governor

Which was on motion adopted.

Mr. Barnes offered the following resolution

Resolved that the Speaker of this House shall be requested to open the proceedings of this House by prayer by himself or by some other Minister of the Gospel selected by himself for that purpose

Which on motion of Mr. Pennington was laid on the table

Mr. English came forward and was sworn in by Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Berry of Franklin offered the following resolution

Resolved that the house now proceed to the election of a Chaplain for the present session

Which on motion of Mr. Tucker was adopted.

Mr. Speaker pro. tem announced that nominations for Chaplain were in order.

Mr. Pettis nominated Rev. Mr. Wheat.
Mr. Farr nominated Rev. Mr. McKenzie
Mr. Williams of Jefferson nominated Rev. Mr. Welch
Mr. Haynes nominated Rev. Mr. Smith
Mr. Perkins nominated Rev. Mr. Pettenburg

There being no further nominations the Speaker ordered the roll to be called

Those members who voted for Mr. McKenzie are Messrs. Burnes, Berry of Franklin, Brodshaw, Camp, Cochran, Collins of Dra, Connelly, Fletcher, Frum, Gridrin of Columbia, Grier, Hunsalem, Harding, Ham, Howell, Hunt, Jenkins, Lining, Mallory, McCollum

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TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, AT ITS REGULAR SESSION, NOVEMBER, 1862.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS,
November 3d, 1862.

Gentlemen of the Senate,
and House of Representatives—

By the blessings of a kind Providence, you are permitted to assemble again at the capitol of your State, the representatives of a free people,—enjoying still, the boon of civil and religious liberty. May our people continue to enjoy these exalted privileges, enhanced by a patriotic and wise system of legislation, devised by you at the present session.

The war, still raging, has at length attained proportions so wonderfully gigantic, as to astound all christendom, at the resource and achievements of American arms. Menaced by a powerful foe—lacking in no attribute save *courage* and a just *cause*—the South has already, thrice over, proven to the North that *she cannot be conquered*, but lives, a Nation, heralded from

an hundred victorious fields, whose people, all, will perish, or be free.

The battles fought and won by patriot revolutionary sires, were but indices of what Americans, can do to avenge national insult, or resist oppression. The war will result in the independence of the South, including in one government, all the slave States of the Mississippi valley—proximity, commercial interests, and intercourse, ultimately uniting the valley States from the Gulf to the Lakes, in one homogeneous government, with an existence for slavery as far North, as climate and production makes it profitable. Free labor, is a misnomer—a myth, which has no existence North or South. All men work from necessity, not from choice—the toil of the white man being called freedom—that of the negro, slavery.

The bloody cost of our liberty, when won, should teach us to guard it, as we do our altars. Let not the unclean hands of political ambition pollute it by their touch—nor yet, should it be too sacred, for the humblest freeman to claim it as his inheritance.

That "the price of liberty is eternal vigilance," is true, in all ages and climes, it is well to beware, then, lest whilst we gain liberty, we do not loose it. The constitution and the laws, should be the measure of all men's authority. Necessity, sometimes inexorable to be sure, is but the tyrant's plea, at best, nor lessens the rigors of usurpation.

I have been led to these remarks, in consequence of orders emanating from generals in command of the Trans-Mississippi district, which I regarded as oppressive to the people, and without authority of law, or the approval of the President.

It may be premised, that a departure from Confederate law, in these instances, is not only an infringement of the national constitution, but is also an infraction of the sovereignty of the State—its constitution—and the sacred rights of *its* citizens.

Hence abuses, supposed to exist, must needs challenge inquiry from all State officials, sworn to support the laws, and to see them faithfully executed.

In May last, the State, by order of Brig. Gen. Roane, was put under martial law, to the extent of twenty miles, in either direction, from Little Rock. The authority for so doing, I am

aware, the General supposed, was derived from the President, who, alone, possesses such power, specially delegated to him by Congress. Subsequently, by order of Gen. Hindman, the order was extended to cover the whole State, and I believe is still maintained, by opproval of Major General Holmes, now and recently commanding the district, whose authority, I am informed, is derived from the President.

The essence of martial law is, that the military officer may do what he feels inclined, without let or hindrance from any one whatever. Power so potential, involving the existence and happiness of entire communities, is justified only upon grounds of extreme necessity; and carefully,—cautiously conferred upon the chief magistrate of the nation alone—in whose wisdom and virtue, all have confidence,—all, for the public good, are willing, for a time, to submit themselves.

This much, and this only, is the law. To this extent, and no more, have our representatives in Congress committed us by act of Congress. An essential point for inquiry is, to know whether martial law has been declared by competent authority, or without any authority at all. In the communication of the Hon. G. W. Randolph, Secretary of War of the Confederate States, in reply to a resolution of inquiry, offered by the Hon. G. D. Royston, in the lower house of Congress, it will be found, that no authority had been given by the President to declare martial law in Arkansas, and further, the Secretary disclaims all knowledge that such a state of facts existed.

Here, then, for five months, the people of an entire State have been subjects of arbitrary authority—without law—the power to enforce right, or redress wrong. Controlled in their pecuniary, and personal rights by the dicta and caprice of one man, with an army at his command to enforce obedience to his orders. The abuse is not in the fact that martial law has existed, but that it was proclaimed by those having no authority, and in the detail of its administration. The legitimate object of declaring martial law, by governments granting the power, if I understand it, is to strengthen the hands of those in command for the better control of their armies, or for the restraint, by imprisonment, if necessary, of disloyal or rebellious citizens,

whose conduct should prove dangerous, or detrimental to military success. But I do not understand that it carries with it the power to interfere with the personal liberty of loyal private citizens, their contracts, or dealings, the prices of their property, or the sort, quantity or quality of money that they shall receive payment in, nor whether they receive payment at all. No wise government will ever enact such laws, unless the people are all serfs, incapable of providing for themselves, and are to be clothed and fed at the public expense. Apart from the violation of law, an intermeddling of this sort, stifles industry and enterprise, induces fraud, and discontent, amongst the people—short supplies to the non-producing classes, and to the army itself. A tariff of prices, can never accelerate a high state of development. The desideratum should be, to produce as much of every thing as possible—the price, is comparatively unimportant. The existence of the army and the people, depends upon having enough, not what they shall have to pay for it. The superabundance of money in the country, unrestricted by military orders, would presently augment greatly the production and supply of all the necessaries of life. But who will venture his capital, to any material extent, in a tanyard, saltworks, shoe-shop, and a thousand and one other things, whilst profits are dependent upon a tariff of prices, to be fixed by arbitrary authority.

In calling your attention to these matters, it is not my purpose to redress the past, but to improve the future, if possible.

First, it is not politic, I respectfully submit, that a violation of the constitution and the laws of this State, go without mention, or report, from the Executive to the General Assembly. For, under such circumstances, the people must imply that all which has been done, has been rightfully done, and, as many of them declare, there is no law left, either to obey, or to execute, the propagation and prevalence of such sentiments, would presently loosen the bonds of society, morally and politically—and, at the termination of a long war, would leave amongst us an element so dangerous as to hazard the existence of republican liberty itself.

Familiarity, with most things, it is said, "breeds contempt."

Not so, with military power. The mind of man possesses for it an instinctive admiration. The splendor of its rude contact, but allures the citizen, and prepares him unconsciously for obedience to its commands. Its march is onward, upward, until finally it overshadows every thing—unless confined within constitutional limits.

It is esteemed injudicious by many, that even the grossest military enormity be referred to, or redressed, during the war; that a more auspicious moment will present itself, after peace shall have been restored. When the present conflict will cease, is altogether speculative. That period may be so remote, as, that we shall forget what freedom and the constitution was, unless we carry them along with us, as we travel.

That martial law should have been declared as an expedient, not only from the date of its existence here, but anterior to that period, I entertain no doubt. That it has accomplished much good, I know also to be true. But it is neither necessary, or proper, therefore, that its concomitant abuses, be sanctioned into precedents, authorizing a repetition of the same evils. I deem it essential, at all events, that I lay these matters before your honorable body, for its advisement, and such action, if any, as you may think proper to take, with the suggestion that joint resolutions be passed by the legislature, addressed to our delegation in Congress, requesting that the act of Congress authorizing martial law, be modified, so as to leave private citizens free, in their intercourse, dealings, contracts, properties and privileges—so long as they are loyal, and obedient to the constitution and laws of the Confederate States.

The last nine months' history of the present war, has been written indelibly upon the pages of Arkansas history,—replete with startling events to all—to many of her people, it has been calamitous. Shortly subsequent to the battle of Elk Horn, the General in command of the Confederate army in Arkansas, moved it east of the Mississippi to Corinth. The State having transferred all its means of defence, was exposed to assault from abroad, whilst loud mutterings of discontent were heard at home. In April, Curtis, commanding a northern army, formidable in numbers and appointment, entered the State at

Pitman's ferry, and marched South without opposition until his advance guard, about the tenth of May, reached Searcy in White county, distant fifty miles from Little Rock. The Confederate army having been entirely withdrawn, communication on the Mississippi well nigh cut off, and utter destitution pervading the State government, so far as arms or munitions of war were concerned—the picture was a most gloomy one for the political mariner. And for a time, it seemed almost inevitable that the State must be overrun and occupied by the northern army. The avowed purpose of Curtis, was to take the capitol of the State, and establish a provisional government for Arkansas.

The stoutest hearts seemed to despond, and concede that defence was impossible, for there was nothing to defend with. There were one or two cavalry companies of Confederate troops left in the vicinity of Jacksonport to protect the remaining supplies until they could be shipped east of the Mississippi. A remnant of quartermaster's stores, broken down horses, and old wagons, were in transitu between Little Rock, Arkadelphia and Camden. The machinery fitted up by the Confederacy at the Little Rock arsenal, for repairing arms, had, weeks previously, been taken down and shipped on steamboats out of reach of the invading army. In fact, the State was confessedly and unqualifiedly, abandoned for the time being by the Confederate government, with its entire corps of military officers, horse, foot and dragoon. The State, I say, had nothing to defend with—*literally nothing*. Our entire stock, for warlike purposes consisting of seven and a half kegs of unassorted powder, without a cap or flint to explode it, and not a gun to shoot it out of if it had possessed the faculty of spontaneous combustion. This being our supply of *small arms* and accoutrements. The State's *heavy artillery*, was, if possible, in a worse plight for *active operations*, there being two cannon on hand, one without wheels—the other exploded at the breech. Under such circumstances, I removed the state treasury, offices, officers, and other more valuable effects, to Hot Spring county, for safe-keeping, and retained them there until September, when, with due consideration for their comfort and safety, I removed them back

to the capitol, where they may now be found, as usual, without damage or detriment. River transportation was adopted to Dardanelle for the offices of the secretary of state, auditor and treasurer, because those officers reported the procurement of wagons and teams impossible at that time, or soon enough to insure a successful retreat. The executive office, or rather papers, etc., composing it, I transported in road wagons, and accompanied it myself on horseback, to Hot Spring valley, where the seat of government was temporarily established at a cost to the State of seventy or eighty dollars, the entire expense of removing and returning the government effects, including the military board, being $3,559 03, the amount being audited, and paid by the military board, there being no fund appropriated by law for that purpose.

On the 5th of May, however, before I left Little Rock, with the State government, I issued the following proclamation, which I beg leave to insert for a perfect understanding of the positions assumed by me, the doctrines announced, and of facts had in view by that paper.

OFFICE MILITARY BOARD,
Little Rock, May 5th, 1862.

TO THE FREEMEN OF ARKANSAS—

"*Fellow-Citizens:* Again your authorities, charged with the duty of preserving and defending your State government, deem it imperatively necessary to call you to Arms: Northern troops formidable in numbers and preparation, are in the heart of your State, *marching upon your Capitol*, with the avowed purpose of perverting your government, plundering your people, eating your subsistence, and erecting over your heads as a final consummation, a despotic ruler, the measure of whose power will be the hatred he bears his subjects.

Will the thirty thousand freemen, capable of bearing arms, yet in Arkansas, look listlessly on, while chains are being riveted upon their limbs by a few thousand Hessians from the North—hireling mercenary cowards as they are, seeking to enslave us, that they may grow rich upon our substance, and deride us, and our children as conquered subjects. This cannot, will not be, our people in the government of their choosing—

in the sacredness of their persons—and defence of their property must be defended. We can and will defend it; unaided if it must be so, at every cost and sacrifice, rather than live under the domination of the detestable and execrable Lincoln government.

The enemy upon our soil is crushing to earth the proud spirit of our people; presuming upon the temporary absence of many of our brave men, they seek to crush the energy and courage of the remainder. We will drive them from amongst us. Where there is a will, there is always a way. An enlightened and brave people will never be subjugated.

The armies of the revolution were at one time under George Washington, reduced to 2,500 men, still with the blessings of God and an undying spirit of resistance, the American colonies, each upon its own account, putting forth its entire energies, conquered a peace from a reluctant and powerful government. So if we of Arkansas, are true to ourselves—true to our professions of hatred for the North, and devotion to the South—true in our devotion for constitutional liberty and free government, the sun will never set upon us a subjugated and conquered race. Then, by authority and sanction of the Military Board, whose duty it is to protect the State from invasion—whose right it is to call an army in the field when the Confederate States "refuse or neglect" to protect the people, I call upon each and every man capable of bearing arms to prepare at once to meet the enemy, though it is not contemplated that all will go—some must—a sufficient number must to free the State and repel the tyrant. The law is "that every able bodied free white male inhabitant, between the ages of eighteen and forty-five years, shall constitute the militia of the State. No person shall be called upon to perform militia duty who has not resided within the State two months, except in cases of *invasion*, in which case, *they are* subject as other citizens, and subject to the same penalties." Further, the law provides: "Judges of the supreme and circuit courts, secretary, auditor and treasurer of the State, clerks of the supreme and circuit courts, post masters, post riders, ferrymen on public roads, all licensed preachers of the Gospel of every denomination, and justices of the

peace, shall be exempt from performing military duty, *except in cases of insurrection and invasion.*". Hence it will be seen, by the law above quoted, that all men found in the State between the ages of eighteen and forty-five, if physically able may be called to the field now, the State being invaded. The State, always sovereign, is sovereign yet, in her reserved rights, one of which is, to defend her own soil—her own government—her own people, and to put every one between certain ages found in her borders into the field, if necessary to do it. This is the law, state and national, and if it were not, the people in their potential power, would make it so.

By your authority and sanction, your representatives in convention assembled at the capitol in May last, severed the State of Arkansas from the United States of America, upon the doctrine of State sovereignty, from which grew up the Confederate States. This in the retrospect, may be viewed no less a political right, than a moral and political virtue, looking to our happiness, and the transmission of republican liberty for the present age and future generations, an alliance was formed with the Confederate States of America. In the support of this government no star in the galaxy has shed a brighter lustre than Arkansas. No people have evinced more valor or a more self-sacrificing spirit, than hers in upholding Confederate nationality. Every door way is stained with the blood of her children, every roof is a house of mourning, and her alters are consecrated to benedictions for the dead and lost in battle. The flower of her youth, the pride of her manhood have without stint been lavished for the maintenance and support of the Confederation. She has done this because of her generous confidence, that when the evil hour come upon her, the national ensign, the Confederate flag, would be found floating from her battlements, defying the invader and giving succor to her people.

Untoward events have placed her beyond the pale of protection much impaired, though not incapable of resistance, she will strike a blow for liberty, and continue to be free; if left to her fate she will carve a new destiny rather than be subjugated. It was for liberty she struck, and not for subordination to

any created secondary power north or south. Her best friends are her natural allies, nearest at home; who will pulsate when she bleeds, whose utmost hope is not beyond her existence. If the arteries of the Confederate heart do not premeate beyond the east bank of the Mississippi, let southern Missourians, Arkansians, Texans, and the great West know it and prepare for the future. Arkansas lost, abandoned, subjugated, is not Arkansas as she entered the Confederate government. Nor will she remain Arkansas a Confederate State, desolated as a wilderness; her children fleeing from the wrath to come, will build them a new ark and launch it on new waters, seeking a haven somewhere, of equality, safety and rest. Be of good cheer my countrymen, there is still a balm in Gilead, the good Samaritan will be found. Strike now and ever for your homes and liberty, against all men who invade the one or dispute the other. The despotic power of the North, which seeks now to crush you, contains in its own creation, ripe seeds for its early destruction.

Stand out like men and resist that power, until the hallowed light shed by southern states rights democratic liberty shall throw its light back upon the very North itself, from the Rio Grande of the South to the Lake of the Woods; and westward to the Pacific. The God of nations has not decreed, I think, that tyrant hands shall stay the progress of civil and religious liberty upon this continent. The right of the people to govern is an admitted truism. Their capacity to do so is not a fable; but "the price of liberty is eternal vigilance;" be jealous of encroachments, mindful of your public servants. Take the constitution of your State as your political text book, and regard the defence of your homes and firesides as a duty you owe to God and humanity, and all will be well.

Correlative with these views, it is by the Military Board of the State of Arkansas deemed essential for the public safety, that four thousand five hundred men be called as volunteers from the militia of the state, to be organized into companies, battalions and regiments, as directed by the ordinances of the State Convention, to serve for twelve months in state service, unless sooner discharged. The companies not to contain less than sixty-four nor more than ninety-six men, exclusive of commis-

sioned officers. Twenty companies of cavalry will be received, and thirty companies of infantry, with the right, on the part of the authorities, to assign one or more of the infantry companies for artillery service. Each volunteer must furnish his own gun, which will be valued and paid for by the State, or a certain amount paid for it monthly by the government for its use, as the state may ultimately determine.

Companies organizing south of the Arkansas river will rendezvous at Little Rock, unless other instructions are given. Those organizing north of the river will be advised of the proper point to rendezvous by applying to the military board for orders. Transportation, subsistence, etc., etc., will be supplied upon application, for organized companies; no company will be esteemed organized until a descriptive list is filed with the military board, showing the requisite number of men, certificates of election for company officers should accompany the descriptive list. Any commissioned officers of the State may hold and certify to company elections. Able-bodied men, 16 years and upwards, may be received into service. If the requisite number of men is not made up by volunteering by the 25th of May, the deficiency will be detailed or drafted from the militia brigades or regiments having the fewest men in service. Troops raised under this call will not be transferred to Confederate service under any circumstances without their consent, and on no account, unless a Confederate force, sufficient to prevent invasion, is sent into the State. These are raised exclusively for home protection. Horses, horse equipments and arms lost by the casualities of war, will be paid for by the State.

Men of means and leisure, although advanced in years, now have an opportunity, without sacrifice, to go and fight—too old to walk, they can now go on horseback. Men tilling the soil can be less conveniently spared; something must be produced to eat, either to live or to fight. I say to the gentlemen of leisure and wealth, make up this call; leaving the tiller of the soil at home to produce something for our families and the country. There are many more than the number called for here in Arkansas who will not run a furrow this summer, nor do anything else substantially beneficial to the country. Business, in the

way of trade, is measurably suspended, and money making for a time ought to be. To be rich now is impossible, for if one owned the whole state, it is worth nothing until freed. The wave of destruction has already rolled over the north-east portion of the state, and will soon reach the south, unless stayed by a rampart of Arkansas freemen. I am for defence—the military board is for defence, and, if aided by the people, the State will be redeemed.

H. M. RECTOR, *Governor,*
and President of the Military Board."

My official conduct by the constitution being subject to examination by your honorable bodies, I regard it as proper that you should be furnished with full knowledge upon all points, which are likely to challenge inquiry. It must be borne in mind that when this proclamation was issued, Arkansas, and other states west of the Mississippi had been abandoned for the time being by the Confederacy. By abandonment, I mean that the army had been withdrawn, and no defence then contemplated or intended. External evidences familiar to the minds of all, are sufficient to establish the correctness of this assertion. But beside these outside facts, known to every body, I knew, from official intercourse with the then commanding officer that such was the case. It will be borne in mind also, that the west, by the capture of the Mississippi, was cut off from the eastern portion of the government, hence it was not deemed probable that the general government could send us any aid. The conscription act had been passed by Congress at the date of my proclamation, but no orders had then been issued in Arkansas to enforce it. Our prospects east of the Mississippi were almost as gloomy as they were west. By the 13th section of the ordinance passed by the State Convention, entitled, An ordinance "for the organization of a military core," it will be perceived, that whensoever the Confederate States *fail* or *refuse* to provide a defence for the State, that it became the duty of the military board to repel invasion, upon State account, and with State troops. On the 5th of May, the Confederate States did "fail to provide defence," and the State was invaded, seriously invaded; as the loss of ten millions dol-

lars of private property does abundantly testify. None of which would have occurred if the State had have relied more upon herself, and less upon others.

The conscription act not being enforced up to the date of my proclamation, all militia men were subject to State service. And further, I announced in the proclamation that the troops raised under it would not be transferred until the Confederate government furnished us defence, which I submit was proper; self-preservation being the first law of nature. It is charged, however, that other portions of the proclamation are treasonable towards the Confederute States. That I designed a seperation of the State from the Confederacy. I designed nor intended any such thing. But, most of all, deplored that a seperation had taken place—the Mississippi full of gun boats, severing us in twain. What I did intend, however, was to save the State of Arkansas from northern vandalism if possible. And also to assure Messrs. Curtis and Phelps, who were then said to be no great distance off, that I would do anything, or go anywhere, rather than back to the arms of Lincoln; and further, I intended to assure Gen. Curtis if he remained in Arkansas it must be by *fatality*—and no fault of mine, though the State was, for the time, deprived of Confederate aid. But I had another purpose, which was, to issue an official document, which would call attention at Richmond, to the deplorable condition of Arkansas, and the west.

I beg leave to state in this connection further, that the president was *not advised of the removal of the troops from Arkansas* until they were landed on the east bank of the Mississippi. That he did not approve it, may be inferred from the abundant means of defence that has been accorded by him since for our safety. A few companies were raised under this call, and promptly transferred to Gen. Hindman, upon his arrival 2d June. But the military authorities of the State, did not content themselves with the proclamation merely, which, though prepared by me, was fully read, examined, and approved by the members of the military board.

On the 29th April we dispatched a messenger to Gen. Beauregard, setting forth the defenseless condition of the State, and

requesting that the Texas regiments, *then on their way east*, be stopped in Arkansas, which was finally done by orders sent to Gen. Roane, in command at Little Rock. In advance of these orders, however, Gen. Roane, upon his own judgment, and my earnest solicitation, retained for service in Arkansas the Texas troops, not yet shipped east, by which the advance of the northern army was checked, and the State rescued from the hands of the enemy. Beside this, these timely exertions promoted, I think, by my proclamation of the 5th May, have been instrumental, to some extent, in procuring the *present defence* made for the west; for certainly, if the original design of transferring all troops had been carried out, the Trans-Mississippi District, now in so prosperous a condition, would, by this time, present a very forlorn aspect. A portion of Parsons, Texas regiment, aided by an Arkansas company commanded by Capt. Will. Hicks, turned the tide of events by defeating the advanced guard of Curtis at Searcy. The citizen soldiery of Jackson, Monroe, White and Prairie counties, deserve encomiums, and the gratitude of the country, for the patriotic and gallant resistance made by them to the advances of the enemy. Harrassed and slaughtered in every attempt made to advance south, the northern general, made his escape to Helena, where, under the cover of gunboats, with ample means of going further if necessary, he has remained up to the present time.

Gen. Hindman having assumed command in Arkansas on the 2d of June, all State troops and army stores on hand, of every discription, were turned over to him, for Confederate use. Since which, the State has had no military operations on foot, nor incurred expense, except in the settlement of unadjusted accounts.

CONFEDERATE TAX.

By acts passed at the extra sessions of November, and January last, the war tax assessed upon this State by the Confederate Congress, was provided to be payed by issuing State paper to the amount of $600 000. Said acts providing that the amounts due by the Confederate States to this State for clothing furnished the soldiers, should by the consent of the Confederate government, be deducted from the amount found to be due by the people of Arkansas for said war tax, and that the re-

mainder should, by the governor of the State be paid in Arkansas paper, provided the same would be received. I obtained readily the consent of the secretary of the treasury to a deduction of the amount due for clothing. No authority existed he thought, however, to receive the Arkansas scrip. The acts of the legislature above referred to also directed that the auditor of public accounts, should, under the instructions of the governor, make out said clothing account, to enable the governor, as by said acts directed, to settle and pay said war tax, and procure the necessary receipts and vouchers therefor. Up to this moment, however, I have been unable, though repeated application has been made, to procure the transcripts or papers directed to be prepared. Recently, I am informed by the auditor that he has been unable to procure the appropriate vouchers from the office of the military board. Upon inquiry of the secretary of the board, his recollection seems to be, that the auditor has never applied to him for the papers at any time, but has incidentally mentioned to his assistant, that some additional papers were wanted to complete the clothing account. Amongst hands, at all events, the papers have not been obtained. Notwithstanding, as far back as the 19th of June last, I called Mr. Miller's earnest attention to the importance of the subject by written communication, and then, and previously directed the secretary of the board to furnish all papers called for on file in his office, necessary to adjust the accounts. That there has been gross direliction of public duty somewhere, in this matter, is unquestionable, and to acquit myself at least of seeming neglect, I beg leave to refer your honorable bodies to the accompanying correspondence on the subject, transpiring between Mr. Miller, the auditor, Mr. Vaughan, the secretary, and myself, marked 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8.

I was further, by said act of the legislature directed, if necessary, to send an agent to Richmond to procure a proper settlement and payment of the State's account, and to procure the necessary vouchers upon the payment of the money, etc. This has been rendered unnecessary, first, for the reason that the account for clothing was not prepared. Secondly, because, in consequence of a partial invasion of the State the Confederate

marshal has been unable to return assessment lists for many of the counties, leaving it impossible to ascertain what the gross amount of the Confederate war tax was. By an act passed by the Confederate Congress, where such circumstances exist, and the tax cannot be levied, the secretary of the treasury is authorized to compound, or settle with the governors of the respective States, what the amount shall be, approximating as near as practicable to the proper amount if assessed. With these difficulties in the way, beside the fact that communication and travel was hazardous between here and Richmond, I found it impossible to carry out the letter of the law upon this subject, but adopted a course which I believe is in harmony with its spirit and purposes.

Major Gen. Hindman finding it impossible to procure means from Richmond sufficient, or in time to meet his pressing demands for money, wherewith to support an army, then so indispensable to the salvation of the State, applied to me, urging the propriety of my paying to his quarter master the amount assumed by the State to be paid the Confederacy, on account of war tax; which I did, conditioned that if said payment was not approved at Richmond, the amount paid should be refunded upon my demand. I assumed that the whole amount of the tax, if assessed against the State, would equal $600,000, deducting the ten per cent. allowed the State for advancing and the amount due her for clothing and other small advances made by the military board on cash account; the remainder I estimated to be, say $400,000, which, on the 25th of July, I paid to Major John H. Crump, Confederate Quartermaster at Little Rock, taking duplicate receipts therefor, one of which is filed with the auditor of public accounts, and the other to be transmitted to Richmond by the messenger who may be sent to close up the business, all which I hope will be approved by your honorable bodies, it being the best that could be done for all parties under the circumstances. The auditor's report shows a payment of $450,000 instead of $400,000, on account of this tax. Four hundred and fifty thousand dollars was drawn from the treasury by me, but finding an excess, fifty thousand dollars was immediately returned to the treasury, where it still remains

subject to be used if found necessary in the ultimate adjustment of accounts between the two governments, which cannot be done until the clothing account is made up by the auditor.

SICK AND WOUNDED SOLDIERS.

By an act of the General Assembly, approved November 1861, ten thousand dollars was appropriated to be expended exclusively under the direction of the governor, for the benefit of sick and wounded Arkansas soldiers. Without experience upon the subject I conceived, at one time, that much substantial relief might be afforded by the disbursement of money directly to the soldiers in person, when they were found needy and suffering. With this view, I sent an agent east of the Mississippi in March last, and also one to our army after the battle of Elk Horn, to the north-west portion of this State, with written instructions to both, that the funds placed in their hands might be expended when its disbursement, in their opinion, would relieve the pressing wants of the sick and wounded soldier. But little however was accomplished, the men being in the care and management of Confederate surgeons, all was supplied by them that mere money could procure, and beyond this the State agent could not be permitted to interfere, which put an end speedily to that branch of the enterprise. Indeed, the general commanding Arkansas troops east of the Mississippi, declined to permit the State agent to furnish the soldiers with money under any circumstances, but agreed that it might be deposited with his medical purveyor for disbursement. Knowing no means of exacting a settlement with a Confederate purveyor, I declined paying out the money in that way, and the agent, after ministering to a few cases of suffering in the Memphis hospitals, returned home, disbursing an amount totally inadequate to the expense of travel. By an act of the General Assembly, approved Nov. 16th 1861, the marine hospital at Napoleon, still the property of the State, was placed under the charge of the governor, who was directed to audit and pay off the outstanding demands against it, and to make such temporary disposition of it as he thought proper. Claims to the amount of $3,000 were examined, approved and payed off as by law directed, and under the supervision of Dr. Sam M. Tay-

lor, by my directions, the hospital was prepared for the reception of sick and disabled Arkansas soldiers. The number of patients received at that institution was seventy-two, all of whom, except one, recovered readily and returned to their commands. This successful treatment being attributable to the presence of comfortable quarters, good nursing and a skilful and attentive physician; illustrating clearly that the frightful mortality witnessed in the army is mainly consequent upon the lack of proper sanitary departments. $2,160 89, out of the ten thousand dollar appropriation, was disbursed for the support of this hospital; finding, however, that the fund appropriated would be insufficient to maintain the place on State account for any important length of time, and also that upon the loss of the Mississippi river, it would be likely to fall into the hands of the enemy, in April last I turned it over to the Confederate government for temporary use, until the end of the war, or until such time as the General Assembly might, by law, designate; charging and collecting from the Confederacy the prime cost of all furniture and supplies on hand, being in gross the sum of $2,600, which I deposited with the State treasurer, taking the proper receipt for the same, and directing the money to be placed with general revenue and subject to the ordinary expenses of the government. The two agents, above referred to in all, disbursed $519 00, which added to the 2,160 89 makes $2,679 89, expended by me out of the $10,000 appropriated for the benefit of sick and wounded soldiers. The vouchers for which, with $1,820 11 of the $4,500, as shown by the auditor's report to have been drawn, being on hand, subject to your examination and disposal.

In conclusion, upon this subject, I respectfully submit, that to afford any material relief by State aid to the suffering soldier, permanent hospitals must first be prepared, with the necessary fixtures and appointments, in advance, and conducted by men responsible to State authority, and to public opinion at home, for the manner in which the patient is cared for whilst under treatment. The fluctuation of physicians, purveyors, and others responsible for the well being of the sick, at one post or hospital to-day, and another to-morrow, relieves all parties from

responsibility or censure,—repressing all emulation in medical treatment and practice. With State institutions permanently established at healthy localities in the interior, many objections and difficulties would be obviated, and an immense amount of life, and mortal suffering saved. To inaugurate a policy of this sort, would require, of course, the expenditure of large amounts of money. The results, I am convinced, however, would prove amply satisfactory to justify the undertaking.

But if objection obtain to the adoption, by the State, of sanitary establishments for soldiers in service, upon the ground that they must necessarily remain in the charge and custody of Confederate authority, still there is a class, which might, apart from this objection, be taken care of and ministered to by the State. I allude to those who have been discharged, for permanent disability, in indigent circumstances, who, from loss of limbs, must live upon the charities of the world, a perpetual monument of the ingratitude of a government, for which they have suffered mutilation, and poured out their blood. For the benefit of such persons, to be sure, the $10,000 appropriation was made; but the insignificance of the amount does not justify a commencement even, in the right direction. A prevailing and, I think, a mistaken idea exists, that the Confederacy should do all things, and the State nothing, in this war. Money spent by the Confederacy, is money spent by the State, for certainly the latter will have to pay, in some mode or other, her proportion of the war debt. Field operations are of sufficient magnitude to absorb all the time and vigilance of commanding generals. Hospital, sanitary and charitable institutions should, as far as compatible with the public service, be in charge of and be provided by the State governments.

RELIEF OF INDIGENT FAMILIES.

The absence of a large proportion of the male population of the State, coupled with the scarcity of provisions, produces absolute want and suffering in many families, which ought, by some means, to be relieved by the government. Such hardships often fall upon the most meritorious class, who, from a

sense of delicacy, fail to make their necessities known, and decline to receive alms from their neighbors To supply these pressing demands of the people, the Legislature, by an act, approved March 22d, 1862, empowered the county courts to levy a tax for the relief of the families of volunteers in certain cases. This law fails to afford the required relief. Its defects are, first, that it leaves action, or no action, discretionary with the county courts, the officers of which, looking to popular favor, evade the responsibility of taxing the people as long as it can be avoided, and rely upon the charity and kindness of neighbors to supply food and raiment for the disconsolate wives and children of absent soldiers, risking all upon distant battle-fields, for honor and independence. Secondly, taxation by counties, is oppressive to the poorer ones—rich in resource of strong arms and stout hearts, but poor in money, the burthen is unequal—the law discriminating against the more populous and less wealthy region, in favor of the less populous and more wealthy. I would respectfully suggest, that a general system be devised, by which the pecuniary condition of every soldier's family in the State, be correctly ascertained, and, through sub-agents, that their absolute wants be provided for during the war out of the State treasury. As property is protected by the war, so let it be taxed, if necessary, for the support of the helpless families of soldiers out upon duty.

MANUFACTURE OF SALT.

The scarcity of salt in the country must be seriously felt, unless some plan is adopted to increase its supply. The State owns valuable salines which, by a small expenditure of money, might be made to produce the article in abundance at cheap rates. Individual enterprise has, and will, prove insufficient to produce the required amount of this article. Neither government or people can subsist long, in the absence of salt. Luxuries may be dispensed with, but salt cannot be; man and beast must perish without it. Your attention is earnestly called to this subject.

SHINPLASTERS.

The State is being literally flooded with a worthless rag

currency, to an extent that makes legislative interference indispensably necessary. The evil is not merely a bad currency, but the quantity of paper money afloat, inflates prices to extortionate rates. I suggest that the present issues be called in, under a penalty, summarily imposed; and that new issues be only authorized, or permitted, upon deposits made of State or Confederate paper with the State Treasurer, and then, in limited quantities, and dollar for dollar. The law, at present, prohibits the issuance of change or individual tickets, but a necessity for small change has negatived the statute, until that necessity has grown into a great public evil, magnifying its proportions daily, at rapid strides. If change tickets must exist, let that existence be a legal one, coupled with some pecuniary and moral responsibility to the maker.

LANDED INTERESTS OF THE STATE.

By an act of the General Assembly, approved 21st March last, the sale of public lands was suspended until the close of the war. The law I think a good one, and ought to be continued without amendment for the time prescribed. It is suggested, for reasons set forth by the Auditor of Public Accounts in his report, that a land department should be organized separate from the office of auditor. Unquestionably, heretofore, this would have proven wise and salutary legislation. In so much, however, as all business is suspended for the present, in this connection, the additional expense of creating new offices just now, might as well be avoided.

FISCAL AFFAIRS.

It would appear by the report of the Auditor of Public Accounts, marked "A," herewith submitted as an accompanying document, that the expenditures of the State government, for the two years ending 30th September, 1862, civil and military, amounts to $2,774,439 94.

This, however, is not literally correct; there being unexpended balances of amounts drawn, which have not been used, but returned to the treasury, as follows, to-wit: In the summer of 1861, the Military Board drew from the treasury, and placed

in the hands of an agent, $200,000, for the purchase of soldiers clothing. Contracts or purchases were not made as anticipated, and the war bonds, being of large denomination, and unsuited for ordinary use, were deposited in the treasury. Since which, it appears that $61,000 only have been paid out by the board; the remainder, with the coupons attached, being still on deposit. There is, also, $31,000 in the hands of the paymaster general, not yet disbursed.

Anticipating the necessity of its use, as above remarked, I drew $450,000 to pay the Confederate tax, $50,000 of which was returned to the treasury.

I have on hand $1,820 11 unexpended, of the $4,500 00 drawn for the relief of the sick and wounded Arkansas soldiers.

These amounts, added together, make $221,820 11; and deducted from $2,774,439 94, stated by the Auditor as the amount spent, we have $2,552,812 83, as the correct amount expended, for all purposes, in the past two years.

Deduct from this the receipts into the treasury for the two years, and the fund on hand, as stated by the Auditor, $1,075,-768 23, and you have $1,477,051 60 of expenditure more than receipts. That being the amount of "new debt created," instead of $1,764,474 95, as supposed by the Auditor.

The whole of this deficit has been disbursed for military purposes, which, by an act of the Confederate Congress, is provided to be paid back to the State. So, I conceive, that no unnecessary alarm need be felt, touching the necessity of selling the State's lands for the liquidation of this deficit, which seems to be apprehended by the Auditor in his report. Indeed, apart from the payment of this amount of money by the State, for military purposes, the Confederacy is largely indebted to Arkansas for subsistence stores, arms, ammunition, and sugar, seized at Helena, and steamboats at Des Arc, by Confederate officers, and appropriated to Confederate use. The gross amount of which articles will equal say $750,000.

The apparent deficit will, therefore, not only be met without the sale of lands, but upon the receipt of the State's dues from the Confederacy, she will have money on hand sufficient to pay off a considerable portion of the old "bank debt," which the

country has heretofore so fondly anticipated, was on the eve of final extinction.

Taking in view this surplus of $750,000, for subsistence stores, and the 15,000,000 acres of land, referred to by the auditor as belonging to the State, most of which was obtained by the act of secession, financially, the State's condition is a most enviable one—presenting less liability, and more resources, than the proudest of her Confederate sisters. The economy displayed by the military board, is unparalleled in the history of this war. With one and a half millions of money, it has organized, subsisted, transported and equipped thirty-five regiments and battalions of volunteer soldiers, and put them in the field, ready for duty, beside paying all other amounts accruing for State service and defence. And this the board has done, free from peculation, speculation, embezzlement, or theft, on the part of its subordinates—except in a solitary instance of a few hundred dollars—which was promptly detected, and redressed by legal prosecution.

A number of sheriffs, it appears by the report of the auditor, have failed to pay in their taxes for the present year, and a few for last year.

Some were delayed by the removal of the seat of government, and made settlement after the time required by law, under heavy penalties. In many of the northern counties, it has been impossible to collect the taxes, the country being occupied by the enemy; relief ought to be granted in such cases commensurate with the surrounding circumstances. But I should think it an unwise policy to anticipate difficulties of this sort, by passing relief bills in advance, as the auditor suggests, for 1863 and 1864.

The superabundance of money makes the collection of revenue less difficult now than ever before, where the country is kept free from the enemy. Any portion of which being occupied in future, would be entitled to relief, as to tax payers and tax collectors. Supervenient legislation, however, will be entirely adequate for redress.

Of all things, the government's finance ought, to be free from the blighting influence of special legislation.

If there are hardships, relieve them after they have occurred, not in anticipation.

Table "N," auditor's report, estimating receipts and disbursements for the next two years shows a deficit of $1,272,846 based upon the present rate of taxation. A lesser deficit, if any, I think will exist at the end of that time.

First, I am unable to perceive why the revenue will be less in 1864 than in 1863.

The auditor reduces the former year to $125,000 00, the latter to $90,000 00. Each year, in my opinion will yield at the lowest estimate $125,000 00.

Secondly, all military operations on State account being at an end, obviously $500,000 cannot be required as suggested by the auditor for that purpose.

Again, it may or may not be provided by legislation, that the State shall pay the Confederate tax of 1863 and 1864, estimated by the auditor at $700,000, which, in my estimation is far below the amount, that tax, for the present year being at least $600,000, and estimated by the Confederate marshal at $625,000. His calculation being based upon the assessment lists returned from a majority of the counties.

The fiscal condition of the State, then, may be viewed reasonable in this wise:

The current expenses of the State government for 1863 and 1864, is put down by the auditor, at $172,500; add to this the amount stated in his report for interest on war bonds, and we have $396,500.

The two years revenue at $125,000 each year, added to the Confederate money on hand, makes $358,054, leaving at the end of two years, according to my view, a deficit only of $66,846. To meet this we have the unexpended fund of the military board—war bonds and treasury warrants, which I recommend be used for civil expenditures, after reserving a sufficient amount, say $50,000 to pay outstanding demands.

Beside the interest on war bonds will be rapidly diminished by their receipt into the treasury for revenue and other payments of State dues. And unless the Confederate tax is paid for 1863 and 1864, no deficit will exist at the expiration of the

incoming two years, at the present rate of taxation, which is low.

If, however, the Confederate tax is assumed—salt is manufactured, or imported, to supply the people, necessitous soldiers families are relieved from want—of course, additional means must be provided by increased taxation, or the issuance of State paper.

The superabundance of money, I think, will enable the people to meet, in future, any tax assessed by the Confederate government. If so, an increase of the State's liabilities for that purpose, ought to be avoided by all means.

The civil expenses of the State government have been unusually large, on account of special appropriations made by the State Convention and the General Assembly.

The Confederate tax has been paid; $39,000 spent in purchasing arms; $100,000 loaned the Memphis and Little Rock railroad. The legislature has held three sessions and the convention two, since November 1860. The most astute economists known to the world's history, have never been able to carry on governments at peace rates, in time of war.

The money loaned to the Memphis railroad sufficed to complete the White river and Little Rock section within the time prescribed by the act directing said loan to be made. No interest, however has been paid by the company as required by said act, owing, I presume to the unsettled condition of the country.

In concluding my remarks upon the fiscal affairs of the State I cannot refrain from suggesting to your honorable body the propriety of withdrawing as rapidly as circumstances will permit, all interest bearing State paper from circulation, and issuing instead, scrip or treasury warrants bearing no interest.

The war bonds, as prepared by direction of the convention, were designed for securities, for sale to capitalists, for invest ment, not for general circulation as a medium, and they are now being so held, none being in circulation. The treasury warrants or scrip, however, were designed for a currency amongst other things, and accordingly prepared as bank bills, and circulate hourly from hand to hand as a currency, its value

being neither added to or diminished by bearing interest, whilst the difference is material and burdensome to the treasury.

I must be permitted to call your attention to an additional fact connected with the treasury, which I esteem essential for a harmonious and successful administration of the government.

For obvious reasons, the law contemplates that the executive of the State shall have full knowledge of the internal workings of the treasury department. The 53d section, chapter 23d of the Digest therefore provides, that "it shall be the duty of the "auditor to make quarterly reports to the governor of the "amount of moneys in the hands of the treasurer, belonging "to the State or any county." My predecessor, at a given period found great difficulty in extracting this information from perverse and inefficient officers, and was driven finally to the courts, by mandamus, to obtain redress for these official malfeasances.

Since my installation seven quarterly reports, under the section above quoted, should have been made out and forwarded by the auditor to the executive. Not one, however, has been furnished. Why, or wherefore, I have not been advised.

Such negligence, ought by law, to be ground for removal, or for something else more speedy than a law suit.

The report of the State treasurer is herewith submitted as an accompanying document, marked "B," showing the condition of the treasury, to which your attention is respectfully invited.

BANK DEBTS.

No progress can be made, of course, in the winding up of these venerable institutions until the end of the war. Nothing has been done in the past two years.

I beg leave to submit herewith the report of Mr. Peay, the receiver in chancery of the assets of the Real Estate Bank, marked "Exhibit C." The deficit of assets is $1,431,405 20.

Also, the report of Mr. O. Basham, ex-officio financial receiver of the State Bank, marked "D." Two thousand, six hundred and thirteen dollars, forty-seven cents only have been collected for two years past. The liabilities of this institution are estimated in the receiver's report at $1,360,417 50, with only $5,000 good debts to pay them with.

The lands mortgaged to the Real Estate Bank by the stockholders, will doubtless prove sufficient to pay that debt. The deficit on State Bank account, will subsist until paid out of the treasury.

PENITENTIARY.

The report of Mr. A. J. Ward, contractor and warden of the penitentiary, is herewith submitted, marked "E No. 1." Also the reports of the inspector and physician, Dr. John Kirkwood, marked "E No. 2." Also the report of the chaplain, Rev. D. L. G. McKenzie. From which several papers, all necessary information may be obtained for the guidance of any legislation, found requisite for the future prosperity of that institution, and the well-being of its inmates.

I take pleasure in mentioning the efficiency of the officers connected with the State's prison, and the material aid afforded by the institution in carrying on the war.

TAKING THE OATH.

Many citizens of Arkansas—some holding office at the time, and some obtaining positions since—have, under various circumstances, taken the oath of allegiance to the Lincoln government. In law, this is treason, particularly in an officer, irrespective of what the necessities or inducements were which actuated this conduct.

A man, arraigned for the offence, might well plead the necessity of saving life or limb, and expect clemency, but the offence, legally, stands unabated. The circumstances under which many took such steps, extenuates, materially, the moral wrong. But the enquiry still arises, and must be met, as to the legality, or propriety, of commissioning men to State offices, who are known, or who are believed by the authorities, to have taken the oath to the northern government?

I take it, that an officer, taking the oath, is not thereby "ipso facto" disqualified and ousted, until the fact is legally found by competent judicial authority. The subject is important, and requires legislation for the guidance of the Executive in acting upon such existing states of facts.

The question being this, exactly: Shall men be commissioned by the governor, and hold office from this State, who have sworn allegiance to that government with which we are at war?

ARKANSAS INSTITUTE FOR THE BLIND.

The biennial report from this institution has been received, and is respectfully submitted herewith, and marked "F," as an accompanying document.

The report shows economy of disbursement, gratifying progress and industry on the part of the pupils, benevolent treatment, and an inculcation of christianity and morals by the officers, worthy the highest emulation.

The details furnished in the report of the president, Mr. J. B. McDaniel, and that of the superintendent, Mr. Otis Patten, will prove highly instructive and entertaining.

The usual appropriation, $3,500, is recommended, for the support of this humane institute.

PUBDIC BUILDINGS.

In a communication of recent date, addressed to me by the Hon. John I. Stirman, secretary of state and ex-officio commissioner of public buildings, I am advised by that officer of the importance of repairing the state house. The building is in rapid state of decay, and good economy, I suggest, would warrant a small appropriation for its preservation.

PUBLIC PRINTING.

I am advised by Messrs. Yerkes & Johnson, public printers, that, for the want of paper, they are unable to comply with their contract, in printing the accompanying documents directed by the 9th section of chapter 80, Digest, to be furnished the General Assembly with the governor's message. The reports must, therefore, be submitted in manuscript.

ELECTION FOR GOVERNOR AND OTHER OFFICERS.

In view of a decision made by the Supreme Court, an election was ordered for governor, senators, circuit judges, and prosecuting attorneys; all of whom were elected in 1860 and

1861, for four years. The judgement of the court is in violation of what I esteem to be the law.

But I deemed it most proper that the executive should harmonize his action with the view taken by the judicial branch of the government, and accordingly the elections were directed by proclamation to be holden. And, after expressing to the people of Arkansas my sincere gratitude for repeated acts of confidence and support accorded to me, and an unabated desire for their prosperity and happiness, I beg leave to announce to the General Assembly that my connection with the government, as its chief magistrate, ceases with the delivery of this message.

HENRY M. RECTOR.

McFadden, Murphy, Neal, Pennington, Pettigrew, Porter, Robbins, Sisel, Stoddard, Teague, Tucker, Welborn, Wilcoxen, Williamson, Wilson, Wynne, & Mr. Speaker. — 37.

Those members who voted for Mr. Welch were, Messrs. Richardson, Williams of Jefferson. — 2.

Those members who voted for Mr. Platten were Messrs. Byrd, Perkins, & Scott. — 3.

Those members who voted Mr. Smith were Messrs. Baker, Collins of Bradley, English, Finn, Foutt, Gordon of Union, Hammack, Harrison, Haynes, Hoel, Hull, Lafferty, Lowry, Martin, & Tuttle. — 13.

Those members who voted for Mr. Wheat were Messrs. Mosely, Taylor, & Pettus — 3.

Messrs. Jones of Sumner, Jones of Hardeman, Powell, Turner, & Williams of Union, were on motion excused from voting.

Mr. Speaker pro tem announced that Mr. McKenzie having received a majority of all the votes cast was duly elected Chaplain of the House for the present session.

Mr. Collins of Dyer moved that the House take a recess till 10 o'clock to prepare the House for the reception of the Senate.

The Hour of 10 o'clock having arrived the House was called to order, & the Clerk was directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives were now ready to receive them in their Hall for the purpose of receiving the Governor's Message.

The Senate preceded by their Officers then appeared within the bar of the House, and were seated, and upon a call of the Roll of members of both Houses a quorum of each appearing in their seats Mr. President of the Senate announced the object of the present Convention of the two Houses of the General Assembly to be to receive the Governors bi-annual Message.

Mr. Wm. M. Mathews, Private secretary to the Governor, then made his appearance within the bar of the House and delivered the following Message from His Excellency the Governor:

To the Honorable Body of the Gen'l Assembly on the occasion of this paper [illegible]

Mr. President of the Senate, announced that the object of the present Convention of the two Houses had been accomplished and the Senate retired to their Chamber.

Mr. Hain offered the following resolution

Resolved – That with the concurrence of the Senate the two Houses will convene in this House on Saturday next at 10 o'clock A.M. of said day for the purpose of electing a Confederate Senator, a Secretary of State, an Auditor of Public Accounts, & a Treasurer for the State of Arkansas

Mr. Pittus moved to amend by striking out "Auditor of Public Accounts and Treasurer" which amendment was accepted.

Mr. Carnall moved to amend by inserting "Saturday week" instead of "Saturday next"; which upon a division being called for 19 members voted in the affirmative and 38 in the negative, so the amendment was lost.

Mr. Lafferty moved to amend by striking out "Secretary of State", which upon a division being called for 32 members voted in the affirmative and 25 in the negative, so the amendment was adopted.

Mr. Collins of Dorsey moved to amend by striking out "Saturday" & insert "Thursday next" which upon a vote being taken was lost

The following message was received from the Senate by the hands of their Secretary

Mr. Speaker, – I am instructed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved by the Senate, (the House concurring therein) that the two Houses proceed on Saturday next at 11 o'clock A.M. to elect a Secretary of State an Auditor and a Treasurer.

In which the concurrence of your honorable body is respectfully asked. – The Senate has also adopted the following joint resolution

Resolved. The House of Representatives concurring that the Legislature adjourn sine die on Saturday the 18th inst. at 2 o'clock P.M.

In which the concurrence of your honorable body is respectfully asked

Jno D Hinkle
Sec of Senate

The resolution as amended was then read and adopted.
Mr. Olive moved to take up the Senate resolution, which motion was lost.
Mr. Gould moved that the Speaker appoint a committee of three to inform Rev. Mr. McKenzie of his election as Chaplain of the House — which motion was ~~lost~~ carried.
Mr. Speaker pro tem then appointed as such committee Messrs. Gould, Tucker & Collins of Drew.
Mr. Speaker pro tem then announced the following Standing Committees:
On Ways & Means. — Messrs. Cammack, Cheatham, Collins of Drew, Pennington, Burns, Gould, Martin, & Sissell.
On Judiciary. — Messrs. Lowry, Haynes, Neal, Byrd, Howell, Harrison, Williams of Jefferson, Hain, Harding, Powell, & English.
On Education. — Messrs. Perkins, Pettigrew, Williams of Jefferson, Naylor & McFadden.
On Internal Improvements. — Messrs. Tucker, Fletcher, Berry of Franklin, Goodwin of Columbia, & Furr.
On Banks. — Messrs. Mallory, Collins of Bradley, Hartt, & Oliver.
On Auditors & Treasurer's Books. — Messrs. Pettus, Berry of Franklin, Connelly, Williamson, & Harris.
On State Lands. — Messrs. Haralson, Carroll, Cochran, Robins, Scott, Nelborn & Sissell.
On Penitentiary. — Messrs. Jones of Lawrence, Martin, Fenton, Hammack, Warner, Baker, Pettus & Leming.
On County & County Lines. — Messrs. McCollum, Jones of Hot Spring, Jones of Lawrence, Little, Murphy, Robins, Mallory & Holt.
On Public Buildings. — Messrs. Haynes, Murphy, Phillips, Hull, & Lafferty.
On Militia. — Messrs. Wynne, Wilson, Potts, Fenton, & Goodwin of Union.
On Agriculture. — Messrs. Bradshaw, Hurt, Jenkins, Hooley, & Hammock.
On Petitions & Memorials. — Messrs. Wynne, Stoddard, Richardson, Teague & Warner.
On Enrollments. — Messrs. Pettigrew, Byrd, & Wilson.
On Claims. — Messrs. Collins of Drew, Williams of Union, Dyer, Powell, Tucker, & Fletcher.
On Elections. — Messrs. Oliver, Hain, Nelborn, English, & Williamson.

On Printing — Messrs. Scott, Cochran, Connelly, Neal, Lissel, & Baker.

On Apportionment. — Messrs. Neal, Perry of Franklin, Pittas, Little, & Lowry.

~~On Swamp & Overflowed Lands. — Messrs. Scott, Lowry, Connelly, Williamson, Martin, Mallory, Lissel, Wyatt, Haynes, & Howell.~~

Mr. Connelly moved that the Speaker appoint a Standing Committee on Swamp and Overflowed Lands. Which was carried

Mr. Pittas moved that the Committee on Public Printing be required to ascertain whether the Public Printer can furnish paper for printing the Governors Message and accompanying documents - which was carried -

On Motion of Mr Williams of Jefferson the House took a recess ~~adjourned~~ till 2 Oclock P.M.

Tuesday Afternoon 2 Oclock
Nov. 4th 1851

The House was called to order by Mr Speaker

Mr Speaker announced the Committee on Swamp and overflowed lands to consist of Messrs Scott, Lowry, Connelly, Williamson, Martin, Mallory, Lissell, Wyatt, Haynes & Howell.

Mr Neal offered the following resolution.

Resolved that so much of the Governors Message as relates to Ohio platting be referred to the Judiciary Committee, that so much as relates to the landed interests of the State be referred to the Committee on Lands, that so much as relates to the Fiscal affairs of the State be referred to the Committee on Auditors and Treasurers Books, that so much as relates to Banks be referred to Committee on Banks, And so much as relates to the Penitentiary be referred to the Committee on Penitentiary -

Which resolution was on motion of Mr Gould adopted

Mr Collins of Drew offered the following resolution

Resolved that a select committee be appointed, consisting of five, to whom shall be referred so much of the Governors Message, as relates to the "relief of indigent families", and that the Senate be invited to appoint a like Committee to act with the Committee on the part of this House and that the Committee be authorized to report by bill or otherwise -

Which on motion of Mr Oliver was adopted.

Mr. Speaker announced the Committee to consist of

Messrs Collins of Drew, Murphy, McCollum, Harris, & Porter, committee on the part of the House.

Mr Scott chairman of the Committee on Printing made the following report -

Mr Speaker - The Committee on Printing to whom was referred the subject matter of enquiring from the Public Printer what probable number of copies of the Governor's Message he could furnish the House have performed that duty and report that the Public Printer says he can furnish at least One thousand Copies; The Committee therefore recommend that that number of Copies be ordered by this House.

S M. Scott Chm Com on Printing

Which report was on motion of Mr Sissel adopted -

Mr Gould Chairman of Select Committee made the following report - Mr Speaker, The Select Committee which was appointed to wait upon the Rev. D L G. McKenzie and inform him of his election as Chaplain, reports his acceptance of said office.

Gould Chm

Which on motion of Mr Furr was adopted -

Mr Pettus offered the following resolution

Resolved That the Committee on Swamp & Overflowed lands be directed to enquire into the propriety of permitting all such persons as have taken pre-emptions on swamps and overflowed lands to pay for the same directly into the State Treasury and receive patents therefor, and report by bill or otherwise -

Which on motion of Mr Williamson was adopted -

On motion of Mr Scott Mr Connelly was added to the Committee on the Judiciary -

On motion of Mr Byrd Mr Phillips was added to the Committee on Agriculture -

On motion of Mr Berry of Franklin Mr Naylor was added to the Committee on Auditor's & Treasurers Books

Mr Scott offered the following resolution which was read and adopted - Resolved That the Clerk be requested to procure the necessary Stationery for the use of the House, and that the same be paid for out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated upon his certificate - On motion the House adjourned to Tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock

John Harrell
Speaker of House of Representatives

Hall of the House of Representatives
Little Rock, Ark, Nov 5th 1862.

House met pursuant to adjournment - Prayer by Rev Mr McKenzie Chaplain
The Roll of members was called and Mess Cheatham, Richardson and Wycough were absent, Mr Furr asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr Gould - The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.
On Motion of Mr Scott the reading of the Governors Message in the Journal was dispensed with -
Mr Speaker laid before the House the petition of Citizens of Crawford County in regard to claims of Noah J. Spring, which on motion of Mr Scott was referred to the Committee on Petitions & Memorials.
Mr Harrison moved to suspend the rules that Mr Garrett might be added to the Committee on County & County lines, which motion (two thirds of the members not voting in the affirmative) was lost -
On motion Mr Williams of Jefferson was added to the Committee on Swamp & Overflowed lands.
On motion of Mr Scott the rules were suspended and Mr Parkin was added to the Committee on County & County lines -
On motion Mr Lafferty was added to the Committee on County & County lines -
Mr Parkin introduced House Bill No 1 entitled "An act to authorize the issue of Change tickets", which was read a first time
On motion of Mr Parkin the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time, On motion of Mr Pettus the bill was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary -
Mr Haynes introduced House bill No 2, Entitled "An act to revive Swamp land Scrip", which was read a first time -
On motion of Mr Pennington the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time,
On motion of Mr Pennington the bill was then referred to the Committee on Swamp & Overflowed lands -
Mr Scott from the Committee on Swamp & Overflowed lands presented the following report.

Mr Speaker

The Committee on Swamp & Overflowed lands to whom was referred House Resolution, in relation to permitting persons who have proven up their pre-emptions and hold a certificate therefor on Swamp & Overflowed lands to pay for the same directly into the State treasury, have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report; that they deem the act entitled "An act to prohibit the further sale of the public lands of this State and for other

purposes" approved March 21st 1862 sufficient to guard the rights and interests of pre emptors during the period therein prescribed, they therefore recommend that the resolution be rejected. Sell. Scott Chairman Com S & O Lands

On motion of Mr Perkins the report was adopted.

Mr Scott introduced House bill No 3 entitled "an act to protect the interests and rights of persons holding Certificates of pre emption to any of the Swamp & Overflowed lands of this State" which was read a first time, and on motion of Mr Scott the rules were suspended and the Bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr Siddel the bill was referred to the Committee on Swamp & overflowed lands.

Mr Lanning introduced House bill No 4 entitled "an act for the relief of the County of Scott which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr Collins of Drew the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time.

Mr Collins of Drew moved a further suspension of the rules that the bill might be read a third time and put upon its passage. Upon which a division being called for 41 members voted in the affirmative and 13 in the negative. So the motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr Cromwell the bill was read a third time and passed. The title was adopted as part of same.

Mr Williamson introduced House bill No 5 entitled "an Act to constitute the internal improvement fund of Polk County a county fund for a specified object and for other purposes, which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr Williamson, the rules were suspended, the Bill was read a second time,

On motion of Mr Potter, the bill was referred to the joint select Committee on Indigent Families.

The following message was received from the Senate by the hands of their Secretary.

Mr Speaker

I am instructed to inform your Honorable body that the Senate has concurred in the resolution of the House for the appointment of a joint Committee to take into consideration that part of the Governors message relating to the relief of Indigent Families, the Committee on the part of the Senate under said resolution consist of Messrs

Clark, Williams, Halliburton, Embree & Belser -

Jno D. Kimball Secy of Senate

On motion of Mr Hammack, Mr Fain was added to the Committee on Indigent Families -

Mr Pennington offered the following resolution -

Resolved, That inasmuch as our brave Soldiers now in the service of the County, are without blankets and suffering from the Cold, that this House make a donation of the Carpets on the floor of the Representative Hall, and have the same made into blankets or Cover for the volunteers - Mr Pennington moved that the resolution be adopted, upon which Mr Scott called for the Ayes & noes, and the Call being sustained Mr Speaker directed the roll to be called -

Those members who voted in the affirmative were Messrs Baker, Barnes, Bizzy of Franklin, Bradshaw, Byrd, Carnall, Cochran, Collins of Bradley, Collins of Dade, Connelly, English, Fain, Fenton, Fletcher, Furr, Gantt, Goodwin of Columbia, Goodwin of Union, Hammack, Haralson, Harding, Harris, Harrison, Haynes, Holt, Howell, Hull, Hurt, Jenkins, Jones of Hot Spring, Jones of Lawrence, Lafferty, Lenning, Lowry, Mallory, Martin, McCollum, McFadden, Mosely, Murphy, Naylor, Neal, Oliver, Pennington, Pettigrew, Phillips, Porter, Powell, Richardson, Robins, Scott, Sewell, Stoddard, Teague, Tucker, Tuttle, Warner, Welborn, Wilcoxen, Williams of Union, Williamson, Wilson, Wynne & Mr Speaker - Ayes 64 - Noes none So the resolution was adopted

Mr. Neal moved to reconsider the vote taken on yesterday which ordered the printing of One Thousand Copies of the Governor's Message, which was carried.

Mr. Lowry introduced House Bill No. 6, entitled "An act for the relief of persons holding mortgaged property & others" which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Lowry the Rules were suspended and the Bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Lowry the Bill was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Williams of Union introduced House Bill No. 7 entitled "An Act to introduce portions of Calhoun County to the Counties of Union and Bradley. Which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Collins of Dade the rules were

suspended and the Bill read a second time

On motion of Mr. Jones of Lawrence the Bill was referred to the Committee on County & County lines.

Mr. Moseley offered the following resolution:

Resolved.— That a joint Special Committee, (the Senate concurring) be appointed to investigate that portion of the Governor's Message in reference to the Manufacture of Salt, and that said Committee be instructed to ascertain the number of salt works now in operation in the state, the quantity now produced, the best means of increasing that production, and that said Committee be further instructed to report by Bill or otherwise, the best mode of supplying the people with that indispensible article.

Which resolution on motion of Mr. Pettus was adopted.

Mr. Speaker appointed as such committee on the part of the House Messrs. Moseley, Pettus Carnale, Scott & Jones of Lawrence,

On motion of Mr. Carnale, Mr. Connelly was added to said Committee

On motion of Mr. Scott, Mr. Phillips was added to said Committee

On motion of Mr. Bradshaw, Mr. Lafferty was added to said Committee.

On motion of Mr. Jones of Lawrence, Mr. Perkins was added to said Committee

On motion of Mr. ~~Collins of Doug.~~, Mr. McCollum was added to said Committee

Mr. Harding introduced House Bill No. 8. Entitled "An Act to suspend the Special road law in Dorna County & for other purposes. Which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Harding the rules were suspended and the Bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Stoddard the bill was amended by adding Cowaighead County to the provisions of the bill

On motion of Mr. Wilcoxen the bill was amended by adding Green County to the provisions of the bill

On motion of Mr. Harding the rules were suspended and the Bill, as amended was read a third time and passed.

Mr. Holt offered the following resolution which was adopted.

Resolved.— That the Clerk of this House

the Capitol
be instructed to turn over, to the Ladies Soldiers Aid Society of Little Rock, to be made by them into Blankets.

Mr. Haynes offered the following preamble & resolution

Preamble.— Whereas the present Constitution of the State of Arkansas provides that the Legislature may define crimes which may be committed by slaves, and prescribe appropriate punishment for such crimes and provide courts for the trial of slaves and the mode of proceeding in said Courts, therefore

Resolved. That the Judiciary Committee be instructed to take this provision of the New Constitution under advisement and report upon the propriety of framing at the present session a seperate code for the trial of slaves.

Which on motion of Mr. Collins of Drew was adopted.

Mr. Taylor offered the following resolution, which on motion was adopted.

Resolved. That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire what provisions of law, if any, are necessary for the relief of Administrators Executors and Guardians, and to report by Bill or otherwise.

Mr. Neal offered the following resolution which on motion was adopted.

Resolved. That Three Hundred copies of the Governor's Message, together with the accompanying documents be printed for the use of this House.

Mr. Neal offered the following resolution which on motion was adopted.

Resolved.— That the Committee on Printing be required to consult the various printers of this city and report as early as practicable what arrangement can be made for early and speedy printing of the Governors Message, together with accompanying documents and especially the correspondence therein referred to marked 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 & 8.—

Mr. Sigel introduced House Bill No. 9. Entitled "An Act to withdraw the public lands from sale & for the safekeeping of the records of the same, which was read a first time.

On Motion of Mr. Furr the House adjourned till tomorrow Morning at 9 o'clock.

John Harrell
Speaker.

Hall of the House of Representatives
Little Rock, Ark, Nov 6th 1862

House met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by the Revd Mr McKenzie Chaplain - The roll of members was called and Messrs. ~~Young~~ ~~Rutledge~~, ~~Strother~~ - Fletcher, Haynes, Mosely, Powell, Williams of Union, & Wycough were absent.

Mr Scott asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr Woodruff Clerk, on account of sickness in his family -

Mr Speaker laid before the House the communication of James G. Morton, which on motion of Mr Scott was referred to the Committee on claims.

Mr Scott offered the following resolution - Whereas this House on yesterday voted unanimously to donate the Carpet on the floor of the Hall to the use of the volunteers, to be manufactured into blankets, and whereas it will take at least one day to take up the Carpet and put the Hall in order again. Therefore

Resolved, That Saturday next the House will adjourn at 10 o'clock AM, until Monday morning at 9 AM, and that the members receive no per diem for that day -

Which resolution was on motion of Mr Collins of Drew laid on the table -

Mr Byrd presented the following resolution

Resolved, That the House adjourn on next Friday at the hour of 12 O'clock M, until next Monday at 9 AM, for the purpose of having the Carpet taken up -

Which resolution was on motion of Mr Olivier laid on the table,

Mr Sissel introduced the following resolution -

Resolved, That the Carpet donated to the Ladies aid Society for Soldiers on yesterday be given to the same as soon as this House adjourns sine die -

Which on motion of Mr Collins of Drew was laid on the table -

Mr Hull introduced the following resolution -

Resolved; That after to morrow no bill or resolution of a local or private nature shall be entertained by this House -

Which on motion of Mr Mosely was laid on the table -

The following message was received from the Senate by the hands of its Secretary -

Mr Speaker

I am instructed to inform your Honorable body that the Senate has assented to House bill No 44 entitled An act for the relief of the County of Scott - said bill is herewith returned -

The Senate has concurred in the resolution of the House to go into the Election of Confederate States Senator on Saturday

next at 10 o'clock, A.M. — J. D. Kimbell Secy Senate

Mr Warner introduced House bill No 10, Entitled "an act to Authorize B. F. Mathews present Sheriff elect of Lawrence County to collect the taxes in said County for the year 1862 — which was read a first time,

On motion of Mr Jones of Lawrence the rules were suspended and the Bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr Perkins the bill was amended by adding the County of Randolph to the provisions of the same.

On motion of Mr Bradshaw the bill was further amended by adding the the County of Clay to its provisions.

On motion of Mr Jones of Lawrence the Bill was referred to a select Committee of three.

Mr Speaker appointed Messrs Warner, Perkins & Bradshaw said Committee,

Mr Martin introduced House bill No 11, entitled "A Bill for the relief of Parties at law in the Augusta district in the County of Jackson and for other purposes — which was read 1st time.

On motion of Mr Perkins the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time. On motion of Mr Perkins the rules were further suspended and the bill read a third time, & On motion of Mr Jones of Lawrence the bill passed.

Mr Fletcher presented the following resolution.

Resolved, That the Senate be invited to attend the House of Representatives in this Hall, on Friday next at 10 o'clock, A.M. for the purpose of counting the votes for Governor — which on motion of Mr Gould was adopted.

Mr Sifell presented the petition of Citizens of Bell County to allow Ezra Carpenter to distill grain into spirituous liquors, accompanied with ~~House~~ bill No 12 Entitled "a bill to allow Ezra Carpenter of Bell County to distill grain" — which was read 1st time

On motion of Mr Neal the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr Gould the Bill & Petition were referred to the Committee on Petitions & Memorials.

Mr Collins of Drew presented the following resolution

Whereas; In view of the fact that the Public Enemy is now in possession of several Counties in this State and is an impossibility that others may be overrun in the same way, and in view of the further fact that a considerable portion of the State, particularly the Cotton growing portion, have no means of making money to meet the demands against those indebted.

Be it therefore Resolved, That it is the sense of this House

that all revenue laws in relation to the collection of State taxes should be suspended till the next meeting of the Legislature -

Which resolution was on motion of Mr. Collins of Drew. laid on the table -

Mr Furr introduced House bill No 13 - Entitled an act to prevent the distillation of Sugar & Molasses into spirituous liquors - which was read a 1st time -

On motion of Mr Gould the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time -

On motion of Mr Furr the bill was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary -

Mr Williams of Jefferson presented the following resolution

Resolved; that so much of the Governors Message as relates to the establishment of Martial law in this State be referred to a special Committee of five with instructions to report thereon at as early a day as practicable -

On Motion of Mr. Scott the resolution was adopted -

Mr Speaker appointed Messrs Williams of Jefferson Pettus, Haynes, Pennington & Porter said Committee -

Mr Lowry Chairman of the Committee of the Judiciary presented the following report,

Mr Speaker -

The Committee on the Judiciary to whom House bill No 1 was referred, Entitled an act to authorize the issue of change tickets have had the same under consideration and have instructed me to recommend its rejection

Lowry Chairman
Judiciary Committee

The following Message was received from the Senate by the hands of its Secretary -

Mr Speaker

I am instructed to inform your Honorable body that the Senate has concurred in the resolution of the house to go into joint Convention on Friday the 7th inst at 10, o'clock A.M. for the purpose of Counting the votes for Governor

J. T. Kimbell
Secy Senate

On motion of Mr Pettus House bill No 101, was recommitted to the Judiciary Committee, and the Committee were instructed to prepare an appropriate bill,

Mr Lowry presented the following report

Mr Speaker -

The Committee on the Judiciary to whom House

AUDITOR'S OFFICE,
Little Rock, *Nov. 5th*, 1862.

To the Hons. President of the Senate, and
Speaker of the House of Representatives:

The message of Ex-Governor Rector, delivered to the two Houses at the opening of this session of the General Assembly contains passages calculated, if not intended, to reflect upon my conduct as a public officer. Owing to the fact that there is no paper on which to print the reports of the auditor and treasurer, wherein full statements are made of the condition of the treasury, and that the message of the late governor, with all its errors is printed and circulated, the facts, so far as regards the actual condition of the treasury; the expenditures of the past two years, and the debt incurred in that time cannot now be laid before you and your constituents. Those reports would explain and refute many of the mistakes which the ex-governor has fallen into. There are other matters charged or insinuated by him, involving as he says "gross direliction of public duty somewhere," wherein the attempt is made to lay the blame on my shoulders. I should be wanting in respect for you and in self respect, to let this ex-parte statement of the late governor go uncontradicted, and not to attempt to put you in possession of the facts in the case.

To show that there was no remissness of duty on my part, I submit the following facts. The Military Board audited all accounts for clothing. There was also an office created by virtue of some militia law, called the office of Paymaster General, where these accounts were paid. The money to pay them was drawn from the treasury in gross sums on requisitions and there was no means of knowing the items or matters of account

for which this money was paid, from any books in or reports made to my office. The only way then was to procure the vouchers or accounts from the Military Board and copy them, I was well aware of the magnitude of the work and its importance, and kept pace with it as fast as I could procure the accounts from the Military Board.

The office was ordered to be removed to Washington, in Hempstead county, by way of Dardanelle, in May last. I had the work in progress until this removal was ordered. The State offices, before reaching Washington, were ordered to Hot Springs, and to remain there. At the Springs, though part of the records were boxed up, and the governor uncertain how long we would remain there, I called upon the secretary of the Military Board, and upon his assistant, Mr. A. J. Smith, for the vouchers and accounts, endeavoring to keep the matter entirely up so as to be able to state the account as soon as the payments were made. I was told then that these accounts or vouchers could not be spared, as the board was then settling with the State Paymaster General and State Quartermaster General. The offices were brought back to this city early in the month of August. Shortly after the return application was again made for these papers, and the governor was informed of the fact, when he promised to have the documents sent to me. On the 13th day of October, the governor addressed me a note, referred to in his message. In reply, I stated the reason why the account was not made out. He sent me another note and enclosed a copy of a letter from the secretary to him. In that letter the secretary says that he does not recollect of my asking him for the vouchers, and that he had furnished me with all the necessary papers, as far as he could do so. On the same day, and after the reception of the copy of his letter, he came into the auditor's office and filed a voucher or account. On the 23d day of October, ten days after he wrote the letter before referred to, he presented and filed in my office, no less than three or four hundred more of the vouchers or accounts. In stating these facts, so necessary for my vindication, I do not intend to cast any reflection upon the Secretary of the Military Board, or his assistant. Of course, I immediately commenced

having them copied, and the work is yet going on. Setting aside the fact that the governor was requiring me to have work done by the 13th of October, when the means to do it was withheld until the 23d; there is another view of the matter. The law requires the vouchers to be filed in my office: section 3, of the aet approved 18th November, 1861, reads as follows, viz: "*Be it further euacted*, That all papers and vouchers necessary for the proof of such accounts and claims, shall be filed in the office of the Auditor of this state, and he shall furnish certified copies thereof for verification of such accounts and claims, and whenever required." See page 40 of Acts, Nov. 1861. Whose duty was it to bring them there? The governor was President of the Military Board and had sworn to see the laws faithfully executed. I had no control whatever over the Secretary of the Board, or the files of that office. He had. This gross direliction of duty he speaks of was not with me; for the accounts were kept up as fast as the vouchers were received and if the ex-governor has been unable to send an agent to Richmond, because the clothing account was not made out, the fault is certainly not mine. It is not my purpose in this paper to do more than defend myself. Were I so disposed and this a fitting occasion, I might show why these attacks were directed at me alone, and were I disposed to make charges, they might be found backed by record proof that would be incontrovertable.

In the table of my report, which is marked "A," the amount of the State expenditures is given as $2,774,439 94. This the ex-governor tells you, is not literally correct. Upon examining the books of the Treasurer, I find that his and my books agree. The late governor goes on to say that $139,000 in war bonds, are in the treasury on special deposit, $50,000 of the money drawn to pay the Confederate tax was returned to the treasury and $1,820 11 of another fund are in his hands, and these should be deducted." It is apparent to any sensible man that I could have no knowledge of what money the board had on special deposit, what amount of public money the governor had retained in his hands, or that a militia paymaster general had obout $31,000 on hand. If these sums had been paid into

the treasury or returned to the funds from which they were drawn, those funds would have been credited and the proper deductions made. I am aware, unofficially, that large sums of public money, are, or ought to be in the hands of other accounting officers, and I have seen their official receipts for large sums, but I cannot credit the State with these amounts until they are received into the treasury.

The former Governor is mistaken in supposing that the whole of the new debt created was on account of the Confederate States, and it strikes me that he exercised his hope largely in supposing that it will be paid back. That the Confederate States will pay, or allow a credit for clothing, arms, ammunition, etc., furnished, is undoubtedly true, but that this will amount to much more than the Confederate tax, is very doubtful. In adding the amount of the indebtedness of the State, I did not include several items which may be considered as part of State expenditures. The outstanding swamp land scrip and levee warrants are to be redeemed with land, and in one sense, may be considered as a debt of the State. Indeed, I was careful to get the amounts stated in my report in exact figures from my books, and in making estimates I gave the most favorable ones that could be made. In the body of my report I gave my reasons, at some length, for the estimates of receipts and expenditures for the next two years. I estimated the revenue for 1863 at $125,000. Recent events have served to convince me that this estimate is too large. The revenue for the year 1863, will be the taxes of 1862, the present year. Before taxes can be collected they must be assessed. As I before stated, from more than one half the counties in the State no tax books have been received, and, in many of them, the taxes cannot be collected. Even in counties where the tax payers are able to pay, for want of assessments there can be no taxes collected. In my report, I stated some of the difficulties with which the subject was environed, and it will be useless to recapitulate them here. Indeed, coming as the General Assembly does from all parts of the State, they are fully aware of the difficulties in this respect. I am fearful that the amount to be derived from revenue for the next two years will not equal the amount of

the civil expenses of the State, and the interest on the debt lately created will amount to more than the net revenue. That a Confederate tax will be collected is almost certain, and whether the State assumes it or not, the people will pay it at last.

It is needless to disguise the fact that our lands is what we will have to look to for the means of paying the State debt. Even now, when expendiutres for military purposes have almost entirely ceased, the State is falling behind every day, and at the end of two years will have a large amount of paper in circulation. No fine theories, or rose colored views, will alter the facts with which we shall have to deal. You will bear in mind that the convention directed the moneys belonging to, or coming through, certain funds, to be placed in the general fund, and an account kept with each of these funds to the end that they may be reimbursed hereafter. Thus the war bonds and treasury warrants received on account of the swamp land fund, the seminary, saline and internal improvement funds, though paid into the treasury and summed up in the gross receipts, are really not redeemed by the State, who owes them to the different funds. She is acting as trustee for them, and though she collects the money due to them, and uses it for her own purposes, it is not hers, properly speaking, and will have to be reimbursed. The reports of the Auditor and of the Treasurer will be found to agree. He gives the same aggregates, and his balances coincide with those of the Auditor, yet the late governor fails to find any error in the report of the Treasurer. The latter officer nowhere credits any amount said to be in the hands of a paymaster, any balances in the hands of the Governor, or any special deposit. There is not a member of this Assembly who does not know that the books of the Auditor show only the amounts paid in and paid out, on the different accounts, and only such balances as are in the treasury or are due from revenue collectors or receiving officers, as shown by official reports made to him. It is questionable if, as Auditor, he could have credited an account with money in the hands of a third party, even had he been made aware of it, though he might, in a note have mentioned the fact. The late Governor

is particularly severe upon me for failing to furnish him quarterly reports of the amount of moneys in the treasury, and says, out of seven, not one has been received. In January, 1861, it was not necessary to report to the Governor, as the Legislature was in session and the committee was then examining the Treasurer's books, and would report to the General Assembly. The Convention assembled in March, and the press of business was so great that before reports were made out, the Convention again assembled in May. At the Governor's request, I prepared statements for him, which he transmitted to the Convention, and which were published. There were two special sessions of the Legislature at which reports were made. The Convention transferred to the offices of the Auditor and Treasurer a vast amount of business. The Treasurer, especially, was overwhelmed with labor; claims against the State had to be paid in war bonds and treasury notes, the issuance of which, involving a great deal of labor, made it impossible for him to furnish me the quarterly reports at the proper time. Without these, I could not make the report to the Governor, and, under the circumstances, it was simply an impossibility. Part of the time the two offices were on wheels; the records boxed up, and to have furnished one report, I would have had to unpack some score or more of boxes, during heavy storms, on the top of Fourche or Petit Jean mountains. Notwithstandtng all this, whenever the late Governor called upon me for any information, it was promptly furnished him, and at times when other business required labor both by night and day.

In my report, for the reasons therein set forth, I suggested that the landed interests of the State should be put under the control of a separate department. These interests are so great, and so much depends upon their proper management, that they should be arranged under a proper and prudent system, and under the supervision of a competent officer. The present systems, or conglomeration of systems, with two sets of officers and different kinds of lands, is cumberous, expensive and intricate. At the close of the war, should the old offices be opened, and business resumed, the thousand errors now existing would be perpetuated and other errors heaped upon them. A simple

plan might be adopted, and the machinery ready to be put in operation when peace is declared.

The late Governor is mistaken in supposing that the creation of a land department would involve additional expense. In my opinion, the expense to the State would be diminished.

I have endeavored to answer the charges made or insinuated by the ex-governor, in as simple and as plain a manner as possible, by a statement of the facts, and to avoid any language that savored of ill-feeling, or that appeared like a retort. My object here is to vindicate myself, not to make this hall the arena of a personal dispute. To that end, I have confined myself to a simple statement of facts. My report is not only based upon the facts and figures in the tables submitted, but those identical facts and figures are also to be found in the report of the Treasurer. For each item received or disbursed, there is a receipt or voucher on file. It is part of the duty of this General Assembly to have those books and vouchers examined. Competent gentlemen have been appointed a committee for that purpose, and I ask of you and of them that they will perform that duty rigidly and carefully; that they will examine and report all errors of omission or commission. In this case, there is something more than mere office at stake—there is reputation and character.

For many years I have held offices of trust, and have borne a character for integrity, and, perhaps, acquired some reputation for business talents; I have endeavored to maintain both.

It may be unfortunate that an official should have been chosen, whose temper and disposition were such as to make it unpleasant for other departments to hold intercourse with him; and it may be fortunate, or unfortunate, for me, that, smarting under a defeat, he should, in his last official act, have made charges or insinuations against me.

To vindicate myself, I ask that my official conduct be strictly enquired into. I am willing to be judged by my acts. And, as the document in which those charges and insinuations are made, is spread at length upon your journals, I would fain ask as a matter of courtesy, if not a matter of right, that this paper be likewise made of record by your honorable body.

Respectfully,

WM. R. MILLER, *Auditor of Arkansas.*

THE STATE OF ARKANSAS.

To the Sheriff of Johnson County---GREETING:

WHEREAS, it appears that there is a vacancy in the office of Representative to the General Assembly of Said State in your county, occasioned by the death of L C. Howell

NOW, THEREFORE, I, HARRIS FLANAGIN, Governor of the State aforesaid, by virtue of the authority in me vested by law, do hereby command you to open and hold an election in said county, on the Tenth day of September next to fill said vacancy, according to the statute in such cases made and provided.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Seal of the State to be affixed to this writ, at ~~Little Rock~~ Washington, on the Tenth day of August A. D. 1864.

H. G. Flanagin

By the Governor:

O. H. Oates

Secretary of State.

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bill No 6, was referred entitled an "act for the relief of persons holding mortgaged property, and others" have had the same under advisement and have instructed me to report the bill back with amendments herewith submitted and to recommend its passage as amended -

Lowry Chairman
Judiciary Committee

On motion of Mr Scott the amendments were read a first time, and on his motion the rules were suspended and the same read a second time -

On motion of Mr Scott the report was adopted & the bill ordered to be engrossed, and made the order for next monday at 10 o'clock -

Mr Speaker ~~laid~~ before the House the petition of Citizens of Crawford County & others White & Hardy of Van Buren which on motion of Mr Scott was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary -

Mr Scott presented a communication from the Auditor of Public Accounts to the Legislature - which on his motion was received and ordered to be spread upon the journals

(See printed copy of W. R. Miller's communication attached to the margin of this page)

Mr Robins introduced House bill No 14, entitled "an act to amend an act to prohibit the further sale of the public lands of this State and for other purposes" approved March 21st 1862 - which was read a first time -

On motion of Mr Perkins, the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time -

On motion of Mr Sissell the bill was then referred to Committee on Swamp & overflowed lands -

Mr Harding introduced House bill No 15, entitled "an act to provide for the temporary removal of County Seats in certain cases & for other purposes - which was read 1st time -

On motion of Mr Sissell the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time -

On motion of Mr Gould the bill was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary -

On motion Mr Lowry presented the following resolution which was adopted - Resolved, That the use of the Hall of this House be tendered to Col Wm P. Grace of Jefferson County for the purpose of addressing the Legislature on the present condition of the Country &c - to morrow evening at 7 o'clock

Mr Pennington moved that the House adjourn till to morrow morning at 9 O'clock –
Mr Scott moved that the House take a recess to 2 O'clock P.M. – The motion to adjourn prevailed & so the House adjourned till to morrow morning at 9. O'clock. –

John Hamell
Speaker

State of the House of Representatives
Tuesday Feb. 21st. Annis. Tuesday 9th 1852

House met pursuant to adjournment
Prayer by the Rev. Mr. McKenzie, Chaplain.
The Roll was called and the following members reported as absent: Messrs. Cheatham, Jones of Lawrence.
On motion Mr. Tuttle was granted leave of absence on account of sickness.
The journals were read and approved.
Mr. Moseley was excused from being absent at roll call on yesterday
Mr. Wyeough appeared and was sworn in by the Speaker and took his seat.
On motion Messrs. Powell & Williams of Union were excused for being absent at Roll call on yesterday.
On motion leave of absence was granted to Mr. Jones of Lawrence.
Mr. Wynn presented the following report:
Mr. Speaker. – The committee to whom was referred the petition of Uriah J. Spivey have had the same under consideration and instructed me to report it back to the House and recommend its rejection. Wynn, Chr.
Which report on motion was received and adopted.
Mr. Scott Chr. Committee on Swamp & Overflowed Lands offered the following report:
Mr. Speaker. – The committee on Swamp and Overflowed lands to whom was referred House bill No. 3. Entitled "an act to protect the interests and rights of persons holding certificates of pre-emption to any of the swamp and overflowed Lands of this State" have had the same under consideration and a majority of said committee have instructed me to report the same back without amendment and to recommend its passage.

S. M. Scott, Chr. com.
on Swp & Overflowed Lands.

Which on motion of Mr. Scott was received and adopted.
On motion of Mr. Scott the Bill was read a third time and passed.

Mr. Scott Chm of Committee on Swamp & Overflowed Lands offered the following report:

Mr. Speaker — The committee on Swamp and Overflowed Lands, to whom was referred House Bill No. 14 entitled an Act to amend an Act to prohibit the further sale of the public lands of this State and for other purposes, approved March 21st 1862 have had the same under consideration and have instructed me to report the same back without amendment and recommend its passage.

S. M. Scott, Chm Com. on Swp & Overflowed Lands.

Which report on motion of Mr. Scott received and adopted.

On motion of Mr. Robins the Bill was read a third time and passed.

Mr. McCollum, Chm of the Committee on Security and County lines presented the following report.

Mr. Speaker — The committee on County and County lines to whom was referred House Bill No. 7 entitled an Act to detach portions of Calhoun County to the Counties of Union & Bradley have had the same under consideration and have directed me to report the same back to the House and recommend its passage.

A. M. McCollum Chm

Which report on motion was received and adopted.

On motion of Mr. Gardner of Union the Bill was read a third time and passed.

On motion the House took a recess for fifteen minutes for the purpose of preparing the House for the reception of the Senate.

The hour of ten having arrived the House was called to order by Mr Speaker & the Clerk intimated to inform the Senate that the House was ready for their reception.

Mr. Perkins offered the following resolution:

Resolved. That the Hall of the House of Representatives be tendered to the use of the Hons. Jno. Hull, A. H. Cleland & Robt. M. Johnson, candidates for Confederate States Senators, for the purpose of addressing the members of the General Assembly this evening 7th November 1862 at half past six o'clock

Which on motion of Mr. Tum was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Speed the rules were suspended and Mr. Perkins added to the Judiciary committee

The Senate preceded by their Officers now appeared within the Hall of the House and were seated. The rolls of the two Houses were called and a quorum

being present.— The President of the Senate announced that the object of the convention of the two Houses of the General Assembly, to be to count the votes cast for Governor, by the State of Arkansas, at the election held on the 1st Monday of October last.

Mr. Speaker of the House of Representatives, in the presence of both Houses, proceeded to open the official returns from each county of the votes so cast for Governor, and the result was found to be as follows, to wit.

Names of Counties.	Harris Flanagin received	H. M. Rector received	John L. H. Rainey received
Arkansas	333	80	
Ashley	455	125	43
Bradley	259	438	5
Benton	238	102	
Conway	278	169	26
Carroll	414	81	2
Calhoun	178	104	11
Columbia	293	536	17
Crawford	413	67	47
Clark	737	46	13
Craighead	177	52	
Chicot	139	92	4
Dallas	446	48	3
Drew	377	321	21
Desha	187	102	1
Fulton	153	96	
Franklin	311	48	7
Hempstead	549	223	7
Hot Springs	424	53	1
Izard	316	88	
Independence	589	111	
Johnson	281	244	2
Jackson	609	127	2
Jefferson	422	431	12
Lawrence	436	121	9
Lafayette	263	178	25
Madison	289	56	
Marion	344	129	
Montgomery	256	14	2
Newton	148	98	
Ouachita	284	434	189
Perry	77	32	10
Pike	195	64	

	Harris Flanagin received	H. M. Rector received	Jno. H. Rainey received
Pemiscot	27	209	
Polk	241	85	1
Pulaski	581	229	27
Pope	447	64	24
Prairie	892	175	51
Randolph	122	127	
Saline	423	123	16
Sevier	360	347	22
Searcy	191	88	
Sebastian	500	193	18
Scott	370	85	28
St. Francis	175	242	
Union	357	222	37
Van Buren	389	62	
Washington	1189	27	5
White	692	52	
Yell	316	177	20
Total	18,139	9419	708

In the County of Benton — Green received 106 votes. — In the County of Jefferson — Dennard received 1 vote. — In the County of Searcy A. B. Pearce received 1 vote. — In the County of Lafayette Nancy Johnson received 1 vote. — In the County of Randolph W. K. Patterson received 163 votes. — In the County of Lawrence W. K. Patterson received 6 votes. — ~~and~~ In the County of Craighead W. K. Patterson received 79 votes. — In the County of Pulaski E. H. Conway received 1 vote. — In the County of Perry — Harris received 3 votes. —

The Speaker of the House of Representatives announced that Hon. Harris Flanagin, having received the highest number of votes cast for Governor, was constitutionally and legally elected Governor of the State of Arkansas for and during the term prescribed by law.

The President of the Senate then announced that the object of the present convention of the two Houses having been accomplished, and the Senate retired to their Chamber.

Mr. Sorry Chairman of Judiciary Committee presented the following report:

Mr. Speaker — The Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred House Bill No. 15. Entitled "An Act to provide for the temporary removal of County sites in certain cases and for other purposes, have had the same under advisement and have instructed me to report the same back with amendments herewith submitted and recom-

ment to passage as amended. — Lowry Ch. Judiciary Com.
Which report was on motion of Mr Lowry second & adopted.
The amendments were then read a second time &
on motion Mr. Carnall the Bill was ordered to be
engrossed, and made the special order for Tuesday
11th inst at 10 o'clock a.m.

Mr. Collins of Dren. from select committee pre-
-sented the following report:

Mr Speaker. — The committee to whom was referred
House Bill No. 5 entitled An act to constitute the
Internal Improvement Fund of Polk County a county
fund for a specified object and for other purposes"
beg leave to report that they have had the same
under consideration and have instructed me to re-
-port as an amendment the following additional
section. — "Be it further enacted that the foregoing
provisions apply to the counties of Prairie, Carroll,
Union, Montgomery, Sutton, Washington, Independence,
Franklin, Van Buren, Searcy, Pike, St. Francis, &
White, and recommend the passage of the Bill
and amendments.

On motion of Mr. Collins of Dren the report was
received and adopted.

Mr. Taylor moved to amend by striking out the
words "Polk County" and insert "the several counties
of this state wherein said fund remains unex-
-pended."

On motion of Mr Collins of Dren the vote
adopting the report of the Committee was recon-
-sidered and the report rejected.

On motion of Mr. Carnall the Bill was
recommitted with instructions to prepare and
report an appropriate Bill.

On motion of Mr. English Messrs. Lowry, Sissel
and Scott were added to the committee to whom
was referred that portion of the Governors Message
in relation to the establishment of Martial Law in
this State.

Mr. Lowry asked to be excused from serving on said
Committee, which was granted.

Mr. Pettus offered the following resolution:
Resolved. — That a committee of five be appointed
by the Speaker of this House, to act with such
Committee as may be appointed by the Senate

to notify the Hon. Harris Flanagin of his election of Governor of this State and the Senate is requested to concur herein.

Which on motion, of Mr. Gould, was adopted.

The Speaker appointed as such committee on the part of the House Messrs. Pittman, Carnall, Scott, Collins of Bradley & Little.

Mr. Wynne moved to take up Senate resolution in regard to the election of Auditor and Treasurer. — pending which

Mr. Furr moved to adjourn till to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock

Mr. Williamson called for the ayes & noes, which call being sustained the roll was called

Those members voting in the affirmative were: Messrs. Baker, Barnes, Carnall, Cochran, Collins of Bradley, Connelly, Fenton, Fletcher, Furr, Gordon of Columbia, Gould, Hammack, Harding, Haynes Hall, Howell, Jenkins, Jones of Hot Spring, Lemay Lowry, McCollum, Murphy, Neal, Pennington Pettigrew, Pettus, Phillips, Powell, Purtlins, Richardson, Robins, Stoddard & Mr. Speaker. — 33

Those members voting in the negative were: Messrs. Berry of Franklin, Bradshaw, Byrd, Collins of Drew, English, Fain, Gantt, Gordon of Union, Harris, Harrison, Hunt, Lafferty, Mallory, Martin, McFadden, Moseley, Naylor, Olden, Porter, Scott Sessel, Teague, Tucker, Turner, Walborn, Wagan Williams of Jefferson, Williams of Union, Williamson Wilson, Wycough, & Wynne. — 32.

So the House adjourned till to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

John Wassell
Speaker

Hall of the House of Representatives
Little Rock Ark, Nov 8th 1862.

House met pursuant to adjournment, Prayer the Rev Mr McKenzie chaplain, Roll was called, the following members were absent, Messrs Cheatham, Hull, and Wycough. The journals was read and approved, The following message was received from the Senate by the hands of its Secretary. Mr Speaker, I am instructed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has assented to House bill No 8, entitled An act to suspend the special road law in Nesha, Craighead and Green Counties and for other purposes; which is herewith returned, The Senate has concurred in House resolution for the appointment of a joint committee to take into consideration that part of the Governors message in relation to the making of Salt, Committee on the part of the Senate under said resolution consists of Messrs Trimble, Halliburton, Williams, Smith, Hunt, Belser and Stillwell. D. R. Kimbell
Secty Senate

Mr Scott, presented the following resolution,
Resolved, That members who are not present at roll call in the morning, shall send to the clerks table in writing, the time when they appear and take their seats and the same shall be entered on the Journals, Which on motion of Mr Fain was adopted.
Mr Pennington, asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr Hull, Mr Fletcher asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr Wilson.
Mr Connelly asked to be excused from the committee on Auditors and Treasurer's books, which was granted, and on his motion Mr Howell was substituted in his stead.

H.B. No 12 Mr Wynn presented the following report, Mr Speaker, The committee to whom was referred the petition of citizens of Yell county in reference to the distillation of grain into spirituous liquors with a bill accompanying have had the same under consideration and instructed me report it back to the house and recommend its rejection
Wynn. Chairman.
Which report was, on motion of Mr Oliver, received and adopted.
Mr Wynn moved, to take up Senate resolution in relation to election of State officers, which on motion of Mr Scott, was laid on the table for the present.
On motion of Mr Pettus, the reports of the Auditor and Treasurer, and their accompanying documents, were referred to the committee on Auditors and Treasurers books.

Mr Gantt presented the following resolution

Resolved, That the committee on public lands be instructed to enquire into the expediency of abolishing the office of Swamp Land agent, and require the duties belonging to that department to be performed by the Registers and Receivers of the various land offices of the State, and that they report by bill or otherwise. Which on motion of Mr Fain, was adopted.

Mr Wycough appeared and took his seat, at twenty five minutes before ten O'clock. On motion of Mr Oliver the House took a recess until ten O'clock, in order for the Door Keeper to prepare the Hall for the reception of the Senate.

The hour of ten O'clock having arrived, the clerk was directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives were now to receive them in their Hall for the purpose of going into the election of Confederate States Senator. The Senate preceded by their officers, then appeared within the bar of the House, and were seated; and upon a call of the roll, of Members of both Houses, a quorum of each appearing in their seats, Mr President of the Senate announced the object of the convention of the two houses of the General Assembly to be, to go into the election of Confederate States Senator.

Mr President of the Senate announced nominations to be in order.

Mr Scott nominated Robt. W. Johnson of Jefferson County

Mr Furr nominated A. H. Garland of Pulaski County, their being no further nominations, the rolls of the two houses were called. In the Senate Mr. Johnson received Eleven votes, Mr Garland received Eight votes, and Mr Batson received One vote. In the House, Mr Johnson received thirty two votes, Mr Garland received thirty four votes. Mr Batson received One vote, Mr Yell One vote. Those members of the House who voted for Mr Johnson were, Messrs Bradshaw, Collins of Bradley, Collins of Drew, Connelly, Fair, Hammack Haralson, Harris, Haynes, Howell, Jones of Hot Spring, Jones of Lawrence, Lafferty, Lowry, Mallory, Martin, Moseley, Murphy, Oliver, Pettigrew, Phillips, Powell, Perkins, Robbins, Scott, Stoddard, Teague, Tucker, Tuttle, Wilcoxen, Wynn, and Mr Speaker. Those members of the House who voted for Mr Garland, were Messrs Baker, Barnes, Byrd, Carnall, Cochran, English Fenton, Fletcher, Furr, Gauth, Goodwin of Columbia, Goodwin of Union, Gould, Harding, Harrison, Holt, Hurt, Jenkins, Leming, McCollum, McFadden, Naylor, Neal, Pennington, Pettus, Porter, Richardson, Sissel, Warner, Welborn, Williams of Union, Williamson, Wilson, and Wycough. Mr Berry of Franklin voted for Mr Batson, Mr Williams of Jefferson voted for Mr. Yell.

On joint ballot Mr Johnson received forty three votes, Mr Garland received forty two votes, Mr Batson received two votes, Mr Yell received one vote. Mr President announced that neither of the candidates having received a majority, of all the votes cast, there was no election, and so the convention proceeded

to ballot the second time.
Second Ballot — In the Senate, Mr Johnson received Eleven votes.
In the Senate Mr Garland received Eight votes.
In the Senate Mr Batson received one vote.
The roll of the Members of the House was then called. Those members who voted for Mr Johnson were Messrs Bradshaw, Collins of Bradley, Collins of Drew, Connelly, Fain, Hammack, Haralson, Harris, Haynes, Howell, Jones of Hot Spring, Jones of Lawrence, Lafferty, Lowry, Mallory, Martin, Moseley, Murphy, Oliver, Pettigrew, Phillips, Powell, Perkins, Robbins, Scott, Stoddard, Teague, Tucker, Tuttle, Wilcoxen, Wynn, and Mr Speaker, — 32 votes. Those members of the House who voted for Mr Garland were Messrs Baker, Barnes, Byrd, Carnall, Cochran, English, Fenton, Fletcher, Furr, Gantt, Goodwin of Columbia, Goodwin of Union, Gould, Harding, Harrison, Holt, Hurt, Jenkins, Leming, McCollum, McFadden, Naylor, Neal, Pennington, Pettus, Porter, Richardson, Sissel, Warner, Welborn, Williams of Union, Williamson, Wilson, Wycough, — 34 votes. Those members of the House who voted for Mr Batson were Messrs Berry of Franklin, and Williams of Jefferson, — two votes.
On joint ballot Mr Johnson received forty three votes, Mr Garland received forty two votes — and Mr Batson received three votes.
Mr President announced that neither of the Candidates having received a majority of all the votes cast, there was no election, and so the Convention proceeded to ballot the third time, Mr Fain moved to take a recess until 2, o'clock P.M. Mr Gould called for the Ayes and Noes. In the Senate Twenty members voted in the negative, and none in the affirmative. Those members of the House who voted in the affirmative were Messrs Berry of Franklin, Fain, Haynes, Naylor, and Williams of Jefferson, 5 votes. Those members of the House who voted in the negative were Messrs Baker, Barnes, Bradshaw, Byrd, Carnall, Cochran, Collins of Bradley, Collins of Drew, Connelly, English, Fenton, Fletcher, Furr, Gantt, Goodwin of Columbia, Goodwin of Union, Gould, Hammack, Haralson, Harding, Harris, Harrison, Holt, Howell, Hurt, Jenkins, Jones of Hot Spring, Jones of Lawrence, Lafferty, Leming, Lowry, Mallory, Martin, McCollum, McFadden, Moseley, Murphy, Neal, Oliver, Pennington, Pettigrew, Pettus, Phillips, Porter, Powell, Perkins, Richardson, Robbins, Scott, Sissel, Stoddard, Teague, Tucker, Tuttle, Warner, Welborn, Wilcoxen, Williams of Union, Williamson, Wilson, Wycough, Wynn, and Mr Speaker, — 63 votes. So the Convention refused to take a recess.
On the third ballot, In the Senate Mr Johnson received 11 votes, Mr Garland 8 votes, and Mr Batson 1 vote.
The roll of members of the House was then called. Those members who voted for Mr Johnson were Messrs Bradshaw, Collins of Bradley, Collins of Drew, Connelly, Fain, Hammack, Haralson, Harris, Haynes, Howell, Jones of Hot Spring, Jones of Lawrence, Lafferty, Lowry, Mallory, Martin, Moseley, Murphy, Oliver, Pettigrew, Phillips, Powell, Perkins, Robbins, Scott,

Stoddard, Teague, Tucker, Tuttle, Wilcoxen, Wynn, and Mr Speaker, 32 votes.
Those members who voted for Mr Garland were Mesrs Baker, Barnes, Berry of Franklin, Byrd, Carnall, Cochran, English, Fenton, Fletcher, Furr, Gantt, Goodwin of Columbia, Goodwin of Union, Gould, Harding, Harrison, Holt, Hurt, Jenkins, Leming, McCollum, McFadden, Naylor, Neal, Pennington, Pettus, Porter, Richardson, Sissel, Warner, Welborn, Williams of Union, Williamson, Wilson, and Wycough,—35 votes.

Mr Williams of Jefferson voted for Mr Fletcher.— one vote

On joint ballot Mr Johnson received 43 votes.
Mr Garland received 43 votes.
Mr Batson received 1 vote.
Mr Fletcher received 1 vote.

Mr President announced that neither of the candidates having received a majority of all the votes cast, there was no election, and so the Convention proceeded to ballot the fourth time.

4th Ballot.— In the Senate Mr Johnson received Eleven votes, and Mr Garland received Eight votes, Mr Batson 1 vote.

The roll of the House was then called. Those members who voted for Mr Johnson were Mesrs Bradshaw, Collins of Bradley, Collins of New, Connelly, Fain, Hammack, Haralson, Harris, Haynes, Howell, Jones of Hot Spring, Jones of Lawrence, Lafferty, Lowry, Mallory, Martin, Moseley, Murphy, Oliver, Pettigrew Phillips, Powell, Perkins, Robbins, Scott, Stoddard, Teague, Tucker, Tuttle, Wilcoxen, Wynn, and Mr Speaker—32 votes.

Those members who voted for Mr Garland were Mesrs Baker, Barnes, Berry of Franklin, Byrd, Carnall, Cochran, English, Fenton, Fletcher, Furr, Gantt, Goodwin of Columbia, Goodwin of Union, Gould, Harding, Harrison, Holt, Hurt, Jenkins, Leming, McCollum, McFadden, Naylor, Neal, Pennington, Pettus, Porter, Richardson, Sissel, Warner, Welborn, Williams of Union, Williamson, Wilson, and Wycough. 35 votes—

Mr Williams of Jefferson voted for Mr Fletcher.

On joint ballot Mr Johnson received 43 votes,
Mr Garland 43 votes,
Mr Batson 1 vote.
Mr Fletcher 1 vote.

Mr President announced that neither of the candidates having received a majority of all the votes cast, there was no election, and so the Convention proceeded to ballot the Fifth time.

5th Ballot.— In the Senate Mr Johnson received 11 votes, Mr Garland 8 votes, and Mr Batson 1 vote.

The roll of members of the House was then called, Those members who voted for Mr Johnson were Mesrs Bradshaw, Collins of Bradley, Collins of Mew, Connelly, Fain, Hammack, Haralson, Harris, Haynes, Howell, Jones of Hot Spring, Jones of Lawrence, Lafferty, Lowry, Mallory, Martin, Moseley, Murphy, Oliver, Pettigrew, Phillips, Powell, Perkins, Robbins, Scott, Stoddard, Teague,

Tucker, Tuttle, Wilcoxen, Wynn, and Mr Speaker—32 votes.

Those members who voted for Mr Garland were Messrs Baker, Barnes, Berry of Franklin, Byrd, Carnall, Cochran, English, Fenton, Fletcher, Furr, Gantt, Goodwin of Columbia, Goodwin of Union, Gould, Harrison, Holt, Hurt, Jenkins, Lenning, McCallum, McFadden, Naylor, Neal, Pennington, Pettus, Porter, Richardson, Sissel, Warner, Welborn, Williams of Union, Williamson, Wilson, and Wycough,—34 votes.

Messrs Harding and Williams of Jefferson voted for Mr Fletcher—2 votes.

On joint Ballot Mr Johnson received 43 votes

Mr Garland received 42 votes

Mr Batson received 1 vote.

Mr Fletcher received 2 votes.

Mr President of the Senate, announced that neither of the candidates having received a majority of all the votes cast, there was no election.

Mr Richardson moved that the Convention take a recess until 2 O'clock P.M. upon which a division was called for, and 41 Members of the Convention voted in the affirmative, and 40 in the negative, so the Convention took a recess until 2, O'clock P.M.

Hall of the House of Representatives
Nov. 8th. 2, O'clock, P.M.

Mr President of the Senate, called the Convention to order, the rolls of both House were called, and a quorum was present.

The Convention then proceeded to ballot the 6th time for Confederate States Senator.

6th Ballot— In the Senate Mr Johnson received 12 votes, Mr Garland received 7 votes, and Mr Batson received 1 vote.

The roll of the House was then called. Those members who voted for Mr Johnson were Messrs Bradshaw, Collins of Bradley, Collins of Drew, Connelly, Fain, Hammack, Haralson, Harris, Hill, Jones of Hot-Spring, Jones of Lawrence, Lafferty, Lowry, Mallory, Martin, Moseley, Murphy, Oliver, Pettigrew, Phillips, Powell, Perkins, Robbins, Scott, Stoddard, Teague, Tucker, Tuttle, Wilcoxen, Wynn, and Mr Speaker.—31 votes.

Those members who voted for Mr Garland were Messrs Baker, Barnes Berry of Franklin, Byrd, Carnall, Cochran, English, Fenton, Fletcher, Furr, Gantt, Goodwin of Columbia, Goodwin of Union, Gould, Harrison, Holt, Hurt, Jenkins, Lenning, McCollum, Naylor, Neal, Pennington, Pettus, Porter, Richardson, Sissel, Warner, Williams of Union, Williamson, Wilson and Wycough. 32 votes—

Messrs Harding, Haynes and Williams of Jefferson voted for Mr Fletcher, 3 votes

Messrs Howell, McFadden and Welborn voted for Mr Batson,—3 votes.

On joint ballot Mr Johnson received 43 votes

Mr Garland received 39 votes

Mr Batson received 4 votes

Mr Fletcher received 3 votes, and Mr President announced that neither of the candidates having received a majority of all the votes

cast, there was no election, so the Convention proceeded to ballot the 7th time.
7th Ballot—
In the Senate Mr Johnson received 12 votes, Mr Garland received 7 votes Mr Batson received 1 vote,
The roll of the House was then called, and those members who voted for Mr Johnson, were Mesrs Bradshaw, Collins of Bradley, Collins of Ouachita, Connelly, Faine, Hammack, Haralson, Harris, Hull, Jones of Hot Spring, Jones of Lawrence, Lafferty, Mallory, Martin, Moseley, Murphy, Oliver, Pettigrew, Phillips Powell, Perkins, Robbins, Scott, Stoddard, Teague, Tucker, Tuttle, Wilcoxen, Wynn, and Mr Speaker,— 30 votes
Those members who voted for Mr Garland were Mesrs. Baker, Barnes, Berry of Franklin, Byrd, Carnall, Cochran, Fenton, Fletcher, Furr, Gantt, Goodwin of Columbia, Goodwin of Union, Gould, Harrison, Holt, Hurt, Jenkins, Lenning, McCollum, Naylor, Neal, Pennington, Pettus, Porter, Richardson, Sissel, Warner Williams of Union, Williamson, Wilson, and Wycough— 31 votes.
Mesrs. English, and Williams of Jefferson voted for Mr Yell.— 2 votes
Mesrs Harding, Howell, McFadden and Welborn voted for Mr Batson—4 votes.
Mesrs Haynes and Lowry voted for Mr Fletcher. — 2 votes.
On joint Ballot Mr Johnson received 42 votes
Mr Garland received 38 votes.
Mr Batson received 5 votes.
Mr Yell received 2 votes
Mr Fletcher received 2 votes.
The President announced that neither of the Candidates having received a majority of all the votes cast, there was no election so the Convention proceeded to ballot 8th time,
8th Ballot— In the Senate Mr Johnson received 12 votes, Mr Garland received 7 votes, and Mr Batson received one vote,
The roll of the House was then called, and those members who voted for Mr Johnson were Mesrs. Bradshaw, Collins of Bradley, Collins of Ouachita, Connelly, Faine, Hammack, Haralson, Harris, Hull, Jones of Hot Spring, Jones of Lawrence Lafferty, Lowry, Mallory, Martin, Mosely, Murphy, Oliver, Pettigrew, Phillips, Powell Perkins, Robbins, Scott, Stoddard, Teague, Tucker, Tuttle, Wilcoxen, Wynn and Mr Speaker— 31 votes,
Those Members who voted for Mr Garland were Mesrs Baker, Barnes, Berry of Franklin, Byrd, Carnall, Cochran, English, Fenton, Fletcher, Furr, Gantt, Goodwin of Columbia, Goodwin of Union, Gould, Harrison, Holt, Hurt, Jenkins, Lenning, McCollum, Naylor, Neal, Pennington, Pettus, Porter, Richardson, Sissel, Warner, Williams of Union, Williamson, Wilson and Wycough,— 32 votes
Mesrs Harding, Howell, McFadden and Welborn voted for Mr Batson, 4 votes,
Mesrs Haynes and Williams of Jefferson, voted for Mr Fletcher— 2 votes.
On joint ballot, Mr Johnson received 43 votes.
Mr Garland received 39 votes,
Mr Batson received 5 votes

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Mr Fletcher received 2 votes,

Mr President of the Senate announced that neither of the candidates having a majority of all the votes cast, there was no election, so the Convention proceeded to ballot the 9th time.

9th Ballot — In the Senate Mr Johnson received 12 votes, Mr Garland 7 votes, and Mr Batson 1 vote.

The roll of the House was then called, Those members who voted for Mr Johnson were Messrs Bradshaw, Collins of Bradley, Collins of Ouachita, Connelly, Fain, Hammack, Haralson, Harris, Hull, Jones of Hot Spring, Jones of Lawrence, Lafferty, Lowry, Mallory, Martin, Moseley, Murphy, Oliver, Pettigrew, Phillips, Powell, Perkins, Robbins, Scott, Stoddard, Teague, Tucker, Tuttle, Wilcoxen, Wynn and Mr Speaker, — 31 votes.

Those members who voted for Mr Garland were Messrs Baker, Barnes, Berry of Franklin, Byrd, Carnall, Cochran, English, Fenton, Fletcher, Furr, Gantt, Goodwin of Columbia, Goodwin of Union, Gould, Harrison, Holt, Hurt, Jenkins, Leming, McCollum, Naylor, Neal, Pennington, Pettus, Porter, Richardson, Sissel, Warner, Welborn, Williams of Union, Williamson, Wilson and Wycough. — 33 votes.

Messrs Harding, Howell and McFadden voted for Mr Batson — 3 votes

Messrs Haynes and Williams of Jefferson voted for Mr. Fletcher — 2 votes.

On joint ballot Mr Johnson received 43 votes,

Mr Garland received 40 votes,

Mr Batson received 4 votes,

Mr Fletcher received 2 votes,

Mr President of the Senate announced that neither of the candidates having received a majority of all the votes cast, there was no election, so the convention proceeded to ballot the 10th time.

10th Ballot — In the Senate Mr Johnson received 12 votes, Mr Garland received 7 votes, Mr Batson received one vote.

The roll of the House was then called, Those members who voted for Mr Johnson were Messrs Bradshaw, Collins of Bradley, Collins of Ouachita, Connelly, Fain, Hammack, Haralson, Harris, Hull, Jones of Hot Spring, Jones of Lawrence, Lafferty, Lowry, Mallory, Martin, Moseley, Murphy, Oliver, Pettigrew, Phillips, Powell, Perkins, Robbins, Scott, Stoddard, Teague, Tucker, Tuttle, Wilcoxen, Wynn, and Mr Speaker, 31 votes.

Those members who voted for Mr Garland were Messrs Baker, Barnes, Berry of Franklin, Byrd, Carnall, Cochran, English, Fenton, Fletcher, Furr, Gantt, Goodwin of Columbia, Goodwin of Union, Gould, Harrison, Holt, Hurt, Jenkins, Leming, McCollum, Naylor, Neal, Pennington, Pettus, Porter, Richardson, Sissel, Warner, Welborn, Williams of Union, Williamson, Wilson and Wycough, — 33 votes.

Messrs Howell and McFadden voted for Mr Batson — 2 votes.

Messrs Harding, Haynes and Williams of Jefferson voted for Mr Fletcher — 3 votes.

On joint ballot Mr Johnson received 43 votes.

Mr Garland received 40 votes,

Mr Batson received 3 votes,

Mr Fletcher received 3 votes.

Mr President of the Senate announced that neither of the candidates having received a majority of all the votes cast, there was no election, so the Convention proceeded to ballot the 11th time.

11th Ballot - In the Senate Mr Johnson received 12 votes, Mr Garland received 7 votes, and Mr Batson received 1 vote,

The roll of the House was then called, and those members who voted for Mr Johnson were Messrs Bradshaw, Collins of Bradley, Collins of Drew, Connelly, Fain, Hammack, Haralson, Harris, Hull, Jones of Hot Spring, Jones of Lawrence, Lafferty, Lowry, Mallory, Martin, Moseley, Murphy, Oliver, Pettigrew, Phillips, Powell, Perkins, Robbins, Scott, Stoddard, Teague, Tucker, Tuttle, Wilcoxon, Wynn and Mr Speaker. - 31 votes.

Those members who voted for Mr Garland were Messrs Baker, Barnes, Berry of Franklin, Byrd, Carnall, Cochran, English, Fenton, Fletcher, Furr, Gantt, Goodwin of Columbia, Goodwin of Union, Gould, Harrison, Holt, Hurt, Jenkins, Lenning, McCollum, Naylor, Neal, Pennington, Pettus, Porter, Richardson, Sissel, Warner, Welborn, Williams of Union, Williamson, Wilson and Wyrough. 33 votes, - Messrs Howell and McFadden voted for Mr Batson - 2 votes. Messrs Harding, Haynes and Williams of Jefferson voted for Mr. Fletcher - 3 votes.

On joint ballot. Mr Johnson received 43 votes.
Mr Garland received 40 Votes.
Mr Batson received 3. votes.
Mr Fletcher received 3 Votes,

Mr President of the Senate announced that neither of the candidates having received a majority of all the votes cast, there was no election.

Mr Van Patten of the Senate, then moved that the Convention adjourn to Monday the 10th Inst at 10 O'clock A.M.

Upon which motion a division was called for, and 44 members of the Convention voted in the affirmative, and 40 in the negative. and so the motion prevailed and the convention adjourned to next Monday (10th Inst) at 10 O'Clock A.M.

Hall of the House of Representatives
Little Rock Ark Nov 10 1862

Convention met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by Mr President of the Senate
Prayer by the Rev Mr McKinzie Chaplain of the House.
The Rolls of both Houses were called and a Quorum of both Houses ascertained to be present
Mr Porter asked and obtained leave of absence for the Clerk of the House
Mr Cheatham the member elect of the House from Hempstead County was announced present and ready to qualify on motion of Mr Perkins Mr Cheatham come forward and was sworn in by Judge Compton
The Convention proceeded to ballot the 12th time for Confederate State Senator
12th ballot

In the Senate Mr Johnson received 12 votes
" " " Mr Garland " 7 "
" " " Mr Balson " 1 "
The roll of the House was then called and those members who voted for Mr Johnson were Messrs Bradshaw, Cheatham Collins of Bradley, Collins, of Drew, Conley Fain, Hammack, Herralson, Harding, Hull Jones of Hot Spring, Jones of Lawrence Lafferty, Lowry, Malory, Martin, Massey Murphy, Oliver, Pettigrew, Phillips, Powell Perkins, Robins, Scott, Stoddard, Teague, Tucker, Tullis, Warner, Welcoxen, Williams of Jefferson, Wynn, and Mr Speaker - 34 Votes
Those members who voted for Mr Garland were, Messrs Baker, Barnes, Berry of Franklin Byrd, Carnell, Cochran, English, Fenton Fletcher, Fun, Garrett, Goodwin of Columbia Goodwin of union, Gould, Harris, Harrison Haynes, Holt, Hurt, Jenkins, Lenning McCallum McFadden, Naylor, Neal, Pennington, Petties, Porter, Richardson, Lyell Welborn, Williams of Union, Williamson, Wilson, and Wycough
— 35 Votes -

Mr Harrell voted for Mr Batson 1 vote
On joint ballots Mr Johnson received 46 votes
" " " " Parland " 42. "
" " " " Batson " 2. "
Mr President of the Senate then announced
That Robert M. Johnson having received
a majority of all the votes cast was duly
and Constitutionally Elected Confederate
State Senator for and during the term
prescribed by law.
Mr President of the Senate announced, That the
object of the Convention was accomplished
and the Senate thereupon withdrew

Mr Speaker then called the House to order
Mr Pennington moved that Mr Berry be
appointed clerk pro tem in the absence
of Mr Woodruff which was
carried. On motion of Mr Pennington
the vote appointing Mr Berry clerk pro
tem was reconsidered, and on motion
of Mr Scott Mr L.B. Cunningham was
appointed clerk pro tem
Mr. Collins of Dewey presented the following report
Mr Speaker The Committee on claims to whom
was referred the petition of James L Morton
of Crawford County have had the same under
Consideration and have instructed me to report
back the bill and recommend its passage
Collins of Dewey
Chairman
which on motion of Mr Fain was received
On motion of Mr Collins of Dewey the House
then resolved itself into a Committee of the
whole, for the purpose of considering the
report and bill Mr Scott in the Chair
after the Consideration of which the Com-
=mittee arose and through their Chairman
Mr Scott reported progress and recommended
reference of the whole matter to Committee
on Ways and Means. Whereupon received
and addopted and the reference made

House bill No 6. being the special order of the day ---- was taken up. On motion of Mr. Lowry the bill was read a 3d time and passed
On motion of Mr Scott the title of the bill was then addopted as part of the same
Mr Lowry made the following report
Mr Speaker The Judiciary Committee to whom House bill No 12 was referred, have had the same under adversement and have instructed me to report the bill back and offer a substitute therefor which is herewith submitted and to recommend the passage of substitute

Lowry Chairman
Judiciary Comt

which on motion of Mr. Lusk was addopted and House bill No 12. (Substitute) entitled an act amendatory of an act to prevent the distillation of grain, into ardent spirits approved March 19th 1862, was read a first time. on motion of Mr Scott, the rules were suspended and bill read a 2d time
Mr. Scott offered an amendment which was rejected and on motion of Mr Lucker the rules were further suspended and the bill read a 3d time and passed the title to the bill was then adopted as part of the same,

H.B. No 5 Mr Collins of Drew then presented the following report Mr Speaker the Com to whom was referred a bill to "be entitled an act to Constitute the Internal Improvement fund of Polk County a County fund for a special object" beg leave to report that they have had the same under consideration and have instructed me to report a substitute for the same and recommend its passage

Collins of Drew Ch

and House bill No 5 (Substitute) was read a first time on motion of Mr Lowry the rules were suspended and the bill read a 2d time
Mr Harris moved that the County of Dallas be exempted. Mr Robins to exempt Hempstead County, Mr Lewis of Hot Spring County moved to exempt Hot Spring County

Mr Lemming moved to exempt the County of Scott Mr Scott moved to exempt the County of Clark Mr Scott moved to amend the bill in its enacting clause so that it should read be it Enacted by the general assembly of the State of Arkansas. On motion of Mr Lemming the further consideration of bill was postponed for the present

Mr Pettus, was called to the chair mr Horrell moved That the House adjourn until Tomorrow morning 9 o'clock A.M. which was lost

H.B. No. 16. Mr Pennington presented House bill No 16. Entitled an act in relation to the revenue laws of the State which was read a 1st time on motion of Mr Pennington the rules were suspended and bill read a 2nd time on motion of Mr Pennington the bill was referred to the Committee on Judiciary

H.B. No. 17. Mr Murphy presented House bill No 17 entitled an Act to addopt Delphy Bain Rachel Bain and Jacob Peterson Baine and make them the legal heirs of William Bain which was read a 1st time on motion of Mr Murphy the rules were suspended and bill read a 2nd time on motion of Mr Harris the rules were further suspended and the bill read a 3rd time and passed

On motion of Mr Hart the House took a recess until 2 o'clock P.M.

2 o'clock P.M. Nov. 10th 1862

Mr Speaker called the House to order, Mr Speaker presented the following communication from Mr James. R. Berry member Elect from the County of Madison " Little Rock Ark.

Nov 5th 1862

To the Hon John Harrell Speaker of the House of Representatives

Sir, whereas it appears from the returns made to the office of Secretary of State from the County of Madison that I was on the 6th day of October 1862. Elected as one of the Representatives from said county of Madison, I hereby notify you That I have declined accepting the position

To the end that a new Election be had in the premises Very Respectfully

your obt Servt

James R. Berry

which on motion of Mr. Barnell was accepted and the clerk instructed to inform the Governor of the same.

Mr Masely introduced the following Resolution Resolved that a joint Special Committee (the Senate concurring) be appointed to enquire into the propriety of memorializing the President of the Confederate States on the policy and Expediency of transfering Gen Price and the troops under his command to the department west of the Mississippi river and that said Committee be instructed (if in their judgement it be thought prudent) to draw up a Memorial to that effect and present the same for the consideration of the two Houses.

Which was adopted

Mr Speaker appointed the following members said Committee Messrs Masely Lowry Pettus, Barnell, and Collins of Lawrence.

Mr Hurt asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Wilson

H.B. No. 18. Mr Lenning introduced House bill No 18. Entitled an Act to provide persons to - - - - - - - - correct Errors in entering lands which was read a 1st time on motion of Mr Scott the rules were suspended and the bill read a 2d time, and on motion of Mr Hurt the bill was referred to the Committee on State lands.

H.B. No 19 Mr Gould introduced House bill No 19 Entitled a bill Concerning roads and highways, which was read a first time, on motion of Mr Gould the rules were suspended and bill read a 2d time, ~~and on motion of Mr Jones of Lawrence the bill was referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements~~ on motion of Mr Martin the bill was indefinately postponed

On motion of Mr Collins of Lawrence the joint Committee on part of the House on Indigent families, were permitted to withdraw in order to meet the Committee on part of the Senate

H.B. No 20 Mr Barnall introduced House bill No 20 Entitled ~~# the 11 to~~ an act to prevent setting prairies on fire which was read a 1st time on motion of Mr Barnall the rules were suspended and bill read a 2d time on motion of Mr Barnall the bill was referred to the Committee on Judiciary

H.B. No 21 Mr Jones of Lawrence introduced House bill No 21 Entitled an act to confer additional power on Judges of the Probate Court which was read a first time, on motion of Mr Jones the rules were suspended and the bill read a 2d time and on motion of Mr Wynn the bill was referred to the Committee on Judiciary

H.B. No 22 Mr Hurst introduced House bill No 22. Entitled an act to consolidate the principal and interest of the Common School fund of Montgomery County which was read a first time on motion of Mr Hurst the rules were suspended and bill read a 2d time

H.B. No 23 Mr Pantt introduced House bill No 23. Entitled an Act to regulate the condition of debts in the State of Arkansas which was read a 1st time, on motion of Mr Lucker the rules were suspended and the bill read 2d time the bill after being amended was on motion referred to Committee on Judiciary

Mr Robins introduced the following resolution Resolved That this House the Senate concurring agree to elect an Auditor a Treasurer and Secretary of State on Wednesday at 10 o'clock A.M. – Mr Neal moved to amend by striking out Auditor and Treasurer, which amendment Mr Robins accepted and the resolution as amended, ~~was adopted~~.

H.B. No 24 Mr Scott introduced House bill No 24 Entitled an act to amend an act Entitled an act to aid the Arkansas Institute for the blind which was incorporated on the 4 day of February A.D. 1859 approved January 19th 1861 which was read a 1st time on motion of Mr Pettus the rules were suspended and bill read

a 2d time - on motion of Mr Peters the bill with the accompanying report of the Trustees and Superintendant were referred to the Committee on Education

Mr Oliver presented the following resolution
Resolved That the door keeper be requested and is hereby directed to put the gallery of the House in order for the reception of the Ladies that may honor the house with their presence which on motion was adopted

On motion of Mr Neal the House adjourned until tomorrow morning 9 o'clock A.M.

John Harrell
Speaker

Hall of the House of Representatives
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House met pursuant to adjournment
Prayer by the Rev. Mr McKenzie Chaplain
Roll was called Messrs Williams from Jefferson County, & Harralson were absent
Mr English asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr Williams of Jefferson
Mr Harris asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr Leavitt
The Journal was then read and approved
The following message was then received from the Senate

Mr Speaker

I am instructed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has passed Senate Bill No 3 to be entitled an Act to provide for the payment by the State for certain arms

Also Senate Bill No 8 to be entitled an Act to facilitate the collection of debts against the estate of deceased persons

Also Senate bill No 9 to be entitled an Act to amend the revenue laws, said three Senate bills are herewith transmitted for the assent of your honorable body which is respectfully asked.

The Senate has amended and assented to
H.B. No 11 House bill No 11 entitled an act for the relief of parties at law in the Augusta District in the County of Jackson and for other purposes, said bill is herewith returned with the amendments attached for the consideration of your honorable body

H.B. No 7 The Senate has assented to House bill No 7 entitled an act to retrocede portions of Calhoun County to the Counties of Union and Bradley which is herewith returned

The Senate has addopted a resolution to make the Committee of each House on Auditors and Treasurers books a joint Committee in which the concurrence of your honorable body is respectfully asked

L. D. Kimbell
Secy Senate

Mr Harralson appeared and took his seat at half past 9 o'clock

Mr Scott Chairman of the Committee on printing presented the following report

The Committee on public printing to whom was referred the matter of enquiring of the several printers in this place in regards to printing the documents accompanying the Governors message have performed that duty and again report that there is not paper in the city to do the work, and out of the public Printers office, a sufficient number of hands can not be had to do the work in any reasonable time, The correspondence accompanying the message may be printed. The public printer informs the Committee that he has printed 500 copies of the governors message and that he has not paper to print a larger number, Your Committee ask to be discharged from further action in the matter

C. M. Scott Chm
Committee on public printing

Which was adopted.

The following message was received from the Senate
Mr Speaker

I am instructed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has addopted the following resolution - Resolved that the Committee of each House on the Penitentiary be made a joint

Committee and that the concurrence of the House be requested herein L. H. Kimball
Secy Senate

Mr Lowry Chairman of the Judiciary Committee made the following report
Mr Speaker
The Judiciary Committee to whom was referred House bill No 16 entitled an act in relation to the revised laws of this State have had the same under advisement and have instructed me to report the same back, and to recommend its rejection because the laws now in force cover the provisions of said bill
Lowry Chairman
Judiciary Comt

which on motion of Mr Pennington was rejected. On motion of Mr Pennington, the rules were suspended and House bill No 16 was read a 3d time and passed
The title was then adopted as part of the same
Mr Warner presented the following report
Mr Speaker
The Committee to whom was referred House bill No 10 to be entitled an act to authorize the Sheriffs elect of Lawrence, Randolph and Searcy Counties to collect the Taxes for 1862. have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report the same back, with ~~the~~ amendments and recommend its passage
Warner Chairman
On motion of Mr Jones of Lawrence the report was received and adopted, on motion Mr Jones of Lawrence the rules were suspended and House bill No 10 was read a 3d time and passed
Mr Lowry presented the following report
Mr Speaker
The Judiciary committee to whom was referred House bill No 21. "Entitled an act to confer additional powers on Judges of the Probate courts have had the same under advisement and have instructed me to report the same back and to recommend its rejection
Lowry Chairman
Judiciary Committee
On Motion of Mr Bury of Franklin the report

was received and adopted

Mr Lowry presented the following report

Mr Speaker

The Judiciary Committee to whom was referred the resolution instructing said Committee "to enquire which provisions of law if any are necessary for the relief of administrators Executors and Guardians" have had the same under advisement and have instructed me to report that there is in the opinion of said Committee no further legislation necessary upon that subject

Lowry Chairman
Judiciary Comt

which was received and adopted on motion of Mr. Oliver

Mr Carnall presented the following resolution

Resolved

That the Committee on public printing be requested to cause the correspondence referred to in the Governors Message marked 1-2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 & 8 to be published in pamphlet form at the Patriots office and that each member of the House be furnished with a copy thereof

~~Carnall of~~

on motion of Mr Real the resolution was adopted & 100 copies ordered to be printed

Mr Scott introduced the following resolution

Resolved That a Select Committee of three be appointed to enquire from the Governor what steps have been taken to carry into effect the provisions of an act entitled "an act to defend and protect the interest of the State of Arkansas in the Swamp and Overflowed Land grant" and if no steps have been taken or insufficient steps to carry into effect the provisions of said act then the Committee to report a bill to revive and put in force the provisions of said act as speedily as possible

~~Scott~~

which on motion of Mr Fenn was adopted

Mr Speaker appointed as said Committee Messrs Scott Lowry and Real

Mr Collins of Lincoln presented the following resolution

Resolved That no new Bill of a local character shall be received by this House after Thursday next

~~Collins of Linc~~

which on motion of Mr Carroll was laid on the table

H. B. No 25 Mr Byrd introduced House bill No 25 "Entitled an act to provide for the relief of the families of volunteers of this State in certain cases," which was read a first time on motion of Mr Pennington the rules were suspended and bill read a 2d time on motion of Mr Pettus the bill was then referred to the Committee on indigent families

H. B. No 26 Mr Goodwin of Union introduced House bill No 26 "Entitled an act to regulate the dower rights of widows," which was read a 1st time on motion of Mr Goodwin of Union the rules were suspended and bill read a 2d time on motion of Mr Lucker the bill was referred to the Committee on Judiciary

H. B. No 27 Mr Williamson introduced House bill No 27 "Entitled an act to change and regulate the time of holding the Probate Court of Polk County Arkansas," which was read a 1st time on motion of Mr Williamson the rules were suspended and bill read a 2d time on motion of Mr Pettis the rules were further suspended and bill read a 3d time and passed. The title was then adopted as part of the same

H. B. No 28 Mr Richardson introduced House bill No 28 "Entitled an act to compensate the County and Probate Judge of Arkansas County," which was read a 1st time on motion of Mr Lucas the rules were suspended and bill read a 2d time on motion of Mr Jones of Lawrence the rules were further suspended and bill read a 3d time and passed. The title was then adopted as part of the same

H. B. No 29 Mr Jones of Hot Spring introduced House bill No 29 "Entitled an act authorizing Thomas Hollis of Hot Spring County to enter certain lands," which was read a 1st time on motion of Mr Jones of Hot Spring the rules were suspended and bill read a 2d time on motion of Mr Collins of Sevier the bill was referred to the Committee on internal Improvements

H.B. No 30 Mr Stoddard introduced House bill no 30 "Entitled an act to change the time of holding the Circuit courts in the 3rd Judicial district" which was read a 1st time Mr Stoddard moved to suspend rules and bill was read a 2d time on motion of Mr Jones of Lawrence the bill was referred to a select Committee of one member from each county Mr Speaker appointed as such Committee Messrs Stoddard McCowen Perkins Jones of Lawrence and Morton

H.B. No 31 Mr Neal introduced House bill no 31 "Entitled an act to prohibit the issuing of Treasury warrants bearing interest which was read a 1st time on motion of Mr Leisill the rules were suspended and bill read 2d time, on motion of Mr Mallory the bill was referred to the Committee of Ways and means

H.B. No 32 Mr Mallory introduced House bill no 32 "Entitled an act for the relief of certain persons in the County of St Francis, which was read a 1st time on motion Mr Mallory the rules were suspended and bill read a 2d time Mr Lowry moved to embrace the County of Chicot in the provisions of the bill Mr Jones of Lawrence moved to extend the provisions of the bill to the County of Lawrence Mr Fain moved to add Benton County Mr Perkins moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary with instructions to prepare and present a bill general in its provisions — which was carried

H.B. No 33 Mr Leisill introduced House bill no 33 "Entitled an act to suspend the revised laws of this State and for other purposes" which was read a 1st time, on motion of Mr Leisill the rules were suspended and bill read a 2d time on motion of Mr Pettus the bill was referred to the Committee on ways and means

H.B. No 34 Mr Cossey introduced House bill no 34 "Entitled an act fixing the time of the Election of Members of Congress of the Confederate States which was read a 1st time on motion of Mr Scott the rules were suspended and bill

read a 2d time on motion of Mr Scott the rules were further suspended and bill read a 3d time and passed The title being then adopted as part of the same

H.B. No 15 House bill No 15 being the special order for to day at 10 o'clock was taken up

The following message was received from the Senate — Mr Speaker

I am instructed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has amended and concurred in House resolution to go into the Election of Secretary of State on tomorrow the amendments being to strike out the hour of 10 o'clock A.M. and insert 4 o'clock P.M.

And the concurrence of your honorable body is respectfully asked L. D. Rembie

On motion the message received from the Senate was taken up. which on motion of Mr Perkins was concurred in Mr Scott then moved to reconsider the vote concurring in Senate amendment upon which a division was called for 24 members voted in the affirmative and 33 members voted in the negative so the motion to reconsider was lost

On motion of Mr Harding House bill No 15 was read a 3d time and was passed The title was then adopted as part of the same.

H.B. No 35 Mr Fain introduced House bill No 35 "Entitled an act to amend the revenue laws of the State of Arkansas" which was read a first time on motion of Mr Conley the rules were suspended and bill read 2nd time On motion of Mr Sifell the bill was referred to the committee on ways and means

H.B. No 36 Mr Collins of Drew introduced House bill No 36 "Entitled an act further to extend the provisions of an act entitled an act concerning the cultivation of Cotton" which was read a 1st time on motion of Mr Collins of Drew the rules were suspended and bill read a 2d time Mr Perkins then offered an amendment which was read and on motion of

Mr Lucker the bill and amendment were referred to the Committee on agriculture

Mr Lipscomb moved adjourn until Tomorrow morning 9 o'clock which was lost

Mr Stoddard offered the following resolution

Resolved that the Committee on penitentiary be instructed to enquire into the expediency of erecting a factory in the penitentiary of this State for the purpose of manufacturing cotton & woolen goods and report by bill or otherwise which was overruled by Mr Stoddard of Craighead

Cross County

Mr Wynn presented a petition from citizens of Poinsett St Francis and Crittenden Counties praying the Establishment of a new County ~~[illegible]~~ Embracing a part of the Counties of Poinsett, St Francis and Crittenden which, on motion of Mr Mallory, without reading was referred to Committee on County and County lines with instructions to report by bill or otherwise

Mr Stoddard presented a petition from citizens of Poinsett and St Francis Counties praying the establishment of a new County which on motion was referred to the Committee on County and County lines

On motion the House adjourned until tomorrow morning 9 o'clock

Hall of the House of Representatives
Little Rock, Ark, Nov 12, 1862

House met pursuant to adjournment
Prayer by the Revd M M McKenzie Roll was called
Journal read and approved

Mr Perkins offered the following resolution.

Resolved that the House of Representatives of the Genl assembly of the State of Arkansas agree that they will not consider during this Session of the Legislature any motion Resolution or Bill which may be offered for ~~[illegible]~~ Legislation on the subject of changing or altering any of the boundary lines of the Counties of this State

Perkins

The following message was received from the Senate Mr Speaker

I am instructed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has passed Senate bill No 7 to be entitled an act to provide for a commission of enquiry; which is herewith transmitted for the assent of your honorable body respectfully asked

The Senate have adopted Senate joint Resolution to pay the accounts of the Quartermaster of Lieut Col Jos S. Moores battalion; which is herewith transmitted for the concurrence of your honorable body which is respectfully asked

The Senate has refused to concur in House resolution to memorialize the President to transfer Genl. Price and his troops to the Department West of the Mississippi river which is herewith returned

The Senate has passed House bill No 22 entitled an act to consolidate the principal and interest of the common school fund of Montgomery county; which is herewith returned.

The Senate has amended and passed House bill No 6 to be entitled an act for the relief of persons holding mortgaged property and others; which is herewith returned with the amendment attached for the consideration of your honorable body

L. M. Rennick
Secy Senate

Mr Harding moved to lay Mr Parkins resolution on the table upon which the ayes and noes were called and called for Mr Speaker then ordered the roll to be called those members who voted in the affirmative were Messrs Bailey, Bodwin of union, Harrison, Harding, Harrison, Holt, Howell, Hurst, Lemley, Mallory, Martin, McCollum, Neal, Scott Williams of Jefferson, Williams of Union and Wynn 17 ayes

Those members who voted in the negative were Messrs Baker, Barnes, Berry Bradshaw Byrd Carnall, Cheatham Cochran, Collins of Bradley, Collins of Drew, English Fair Fenton Fletcher Fuqua Garrett, Goodwin of Columbia Gould Hammack Harris, Haynes, Hill, Jenkins, Jones of Hot Spring Jones of Lawrence

Lafferty, Lowry, McFadden Mosely Murphy Naylor Oliver Pennington Pettigrew, Pettus Phillips, Porter Powell, Perkins, Richardson, Robins, Sepell, Teague, Tucker, Tuttle Warren, Welborn Wilcoxen, Williamson, Wilson, Wyeough, and Mr Speaker 52 noes, so the motion to lay on the table was lost, on motion of Mr Collins of Lowndes the resolution was then adopted,

Mr Collins of Lowndes introduced the following resolution

Resolved, That the speaker is hereby requested to have the counties called alphabetically when petitions and memorials are in order, also when the introduction of bills is announced to be in order beginning the roll each morning where it was left off the day before and that this rule be observed from day to day till otherwise directed by the House ~~Collins of Lowndes~~

Mr Glover moved to lay the resolution on the table indefinitely upon which a vote was taken and the Speaker being unable to decide, a division was called for, 23 votes in the affirmative and 29 in the negative so the motion to lay on the table indefinitely was lost,

On motion of Mr Collins of Lowndes the resolution was adopted

On motion of Mr Perkins Mr Welborn was added to the Committee on Lands

H.B. No 2 Mr Scott presented the following report

Mr Speaker

The Committee on Swamp and Overflowed lands to whom was referred House Bill No 2 entitled "An act to revive Swamp land Scrip," have had the same under consideration and a majority of said Committee have instructed me to report the same back to the House without amendment and recommend its passage

J M Scott Chm

Committee on Swamp & overflowed Lands

which on motion of Mr Wynn was received and adopted - On motion of Mr Scott the rules were suspended and house bill no 2 was read a 3rd time and passed, The title was then adopted as part of the same

Mr Pettigrew presented the following report

Mr Speaker

The Committee on enrollments have examined House bills No 4 and 8 and have instructed me to report the same correctly enrolled

Leo Pettigrew Chairman
Committee on enrollments

which was received

H.B. No 18, Mr Harrison presented the following report

The Committee on State lands to whom was referred house bill No 18. "Entitled an act to permit persons to correct errors in entering land have had the same under consideration a majority of sd Committee and have instructed me to return the bill and recommend its rejection

Harrison Chairman

which on motion of Mr Tucker was received and adopted

Mr Speaker then directed the Clerk to call the roll of the Counties

Mr Holt presented the following ~~joint~~ joint Resolution

Whereas the great want of clothing for our Soldiers in the Trans Miss District and the unsafe as well as uncertain means of transportation of the same from the Eastern Department have impressed our people with the idea of the necessity of finding means for furnishing clothing for the Soldiers west of the Miss by the proper establishments erected & carried on west of the Miss Therefore, Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that the Senators in Congress from said State be instructed and the representatives of said State be requested to use their Exertions to have Erected at an Early day by the Confederate Government at some Convenient point in the Trans Miss Department a factory for the manufacture of every description of clothing suitable for our Soldiers during the Existence of the war

On Motion of Mr Holt the rules were suspended and the resolution read a 1st time

On Motion of Mr Pennington it was then referred to the Committee on petitions and memorials

Mr Harding presented the following joint resolution
Resolved by the General assembly of the State of Arkansas (the Senate concurring) that our Senators in Congress be instructed and our representatives be requested to use their influence to secure the payment to the citizens of the State of Arkansas by the Confederate State of the amount due them for the cotton crop of the year 1861 that has been or may hereafter be destroyed by order of the Confederate Military authorities in the State of Arkansas

which was read a 1st time. On motion of Harding the rules were suspended and the resolution read a 2d time. On motion of Mr Farr the resolution was then referred to the Committee on petitions and memorials

Mr Haynes presented a petition from citizens of Sevier County in behalf of John. C. Bush which on motion of Mr Haynes, without reading was referred to the Committee on petitions and Memorials

Mr Jones of Lawrence presented a petition from citizens of Lawrence County praying the passage of a law granting to William. S. Ball the privilege of distilling ardent Spirits which on motion of Mr Jones of Lawrence without reading was referred to the Committee on petitions and Memorials,

Mr Fear presented the following joint resolution
Whereas as it must be the wish of every humane and just person to have an end put to the cruel and merciless War now raging between the United States and the Confederate States and recognizing the fact as we do the South is but acting in self defence and ought not to have as she will not ~~[illegible]~~ any thing but an honorable peace such an one as will secure to her her full rights Therefore be it, Resolved by the General assembly of the State of Arkansas that our Senators in Congress be instructed and the representatives of the State be requested to use their best Exertions to settle the difficulties now existing between the United State and the Confederate State at an early day and to secure a peace that will give the Southern Confederacy all the rights

the claims for which she has entered into and prosecuted the war so vigorously waged against her

which resolution was on motion of Mr Warner laid on the table

Mr Leming presented a petition of a portion of the citizens of Scott county praying the Legislature to pass an act for the relief of Christopher and Jane Thompson free persons of color which without reading was on motion of Mr Lovell referred to the Committee on petitions and Memorials

On motion of Mr Pettus the regular order of business was suspended in order to take up the message which was received from the senate on yesterday—

Senate resolution to make a joint committee of the committees of the two houses on Auditors and Treasurers books was taken up, and on motion of Mr Pettus was concurred in by the House

On motion of Mr. Jones of Lawrence Senate resolution to make the committees of the two Houses on penitentiary a joint committee was concurred in

H.B. No 11 House bill No 11 reported back to the House with amendments was then taken up and on motion of Mr. Martin the amendments were concurred in

Senate bill No 3. "entitled an act to provide for the payment by the State for certain arms was then taken up and read a first time on motion of Mr Lovell the rules were suspended and bill read a 2d time Mr Stodson moved to amend by striking out the words "with the receipt," in the second section,

Mr Scott moved to amend by inserting "and arms procured for the use of the Confederate States volunteers and purchased by captains and others and for arms purchased for partizan Rangers Companies under order of Genl Hindman

Mr Porter moved to amend by inserting the word annunciation

Mr Haynes moved to amend by inserting horses and Wagons
Mr Warner moved to amend by inserting the words or other property immediately after the ~~commendatory~~, ~~of the~~ words arms occur
Mr Berry of Franklin moved to amend by inserting after the word claimants his heirs Executors or administrators
Mr Hammack moved to amend by inserting all other claims regularly presented as required
Mr Lessig moved to amend the amendments by adding guns lost by the Militia of this State while in actual service
Mr Mallory moved to amend by adding that the widows or children of any one who has furnished any of the above named articles shall have the benefit of this act
On motion of Mr Neal the bill and amendments were referred to a select Committee
Mr Speaker then appointed Messrs Neal Poston Hunt, Pettis and Scott, and on motion of Mr English Mr Williams of Jefferson was added to the to the Committee on motion of Mr Pennington Mr Barnes was added, on motion of Mr Hammack Mr Fain was added on motion of Mr Jones of Lawrence Mr Parkins was added and on motion of Mr Baker Mr Holt was added to said Committee
Senate bill No 8 "Entitled an act to facilitate the collection of debts against the Estates of deceased persons" was then taken up and read a 1st time on motion of Mr Pennington the rules were suspended and bill read a 2d time on motion of Mr Jones the bill was then referred to the Committee on Judiciary
Senate bill No 9 "Entitled an act to amend the revenue laws was then taken up and read a 1st time Mr Scott then moved to reject the bill upon which a division was called for 12 members voted in the affirmative and 39 in the negative so the motion to reject the bill was lost on motion of Mr Pettus the rules were suspended and the bill read a 2d time on motion of Mr Pennington

The bill was then referred to the Committee on Judiciary

On motion of Mr Parkins the House took a recess until 15 Mn before 4 O'clock P. M.

15 Mn before 4 O'clock P. M.

Mr Speaker called the House to order

The hour of 4 O'clock having arrived the clerk was directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives was ready to receive them in their hall for the purpose of going into the Election of Secretary of State the Senate preceded by their officers then appeared within the bar of the House and were seated and upon a call of the roll of both Houses a quorum of each appearing in their seats Mr President of the Senate announced the object of the convention of the two Houses of the General Assembly to be the Election of a Secretary of State

Mr President of the Senate announced nominations to be in order

Mr Jones of Lawrence nominated Mr. John T. Trigg of Pulaski county

Mr Lucker nominated Mr. O. H. Oats of Monroe County

Mr Scott nominated Mr Lafe R. Berry of Madison County

Mr Mallory nominated Mr V. Block of Hempstead County

Mr Mosely nominated Mr John T. Sterman of Yell County

There being no further nominations the convention then proceeded to ballot In the Senate Mr Trigg received 3 votes Mr Oats received 5 votes Mr Berry received 3 votes Mr Block received 4 votes and Mr Sterman received 5 votes The roll of the House was then called and those members who voted for Mr Trigg were Messrs Barnes, Cauley, Fletcher, Goodwin of Union, Hovell, Jones of Lawrence Murphy, Pennington Perkins, Sifell Warren and Williams 12 votes

Those members who voted for Mr Oats were Messrs Collins of Bradley English Garth Hardison, Harding Jones of Hot Spring Lemay, Martin Porter, Richardson, Stoddard Lucker, Willcoxen and Wynn 14 votes

Those members who voted for Mr Berry were Messrs Baker Berry, Bradshaw Carnall Cochran

Harrison, Holt, Hull, Jenkins, Naylor Oliver Scott Williamson, and Mr Speaker 14 votes
Those members who voted for Mr Block were Messrs Cheatham, Collins of Crew, Fuss, Goodwin of Columbia Lord Harris Haynes Mallory, McCallum, Neal, Pettigrew Pettus Robins and Teague 14 votes
Those members who voted for Mr Sterman were Messrs Byrd Fain, Fenton, Hammack Lafferty Lowry, McFadden Morely Phillips Powell Tuttle Wilburn Wilson & Wyerough 14 votes
2nd ballot Mr Frigg received 15 votes
" " " " Oats " 19 "
" " " " Berry " 17 "
" " " " Block " 18 " and
" " " " Sterman " 19 "
Mr President of the Senate then announced that neither of the Candidates having received a majority of all the votes cast there was no Election The Convention then proceeded to ballot a 2d time
2d ballot 2 In the Senate Mr Frigg received 3 votes
" " " " Oats " 5 "
" " " " Berry " 3 "
" " " " Block " 4 " and
" " " " Sterman " 5 "
The roll of the House was then called those members who voted for Mr Frigg were Messrs Bailey Fletcher Goodwin of Union Howell Jones of Lawrence, Murphy Pennington Perkins Sifell Warner and Williams of Union 11 votes
Those members who voted for Mr Oats were Messrs Barnes, Collins of Bradley English Garth, Harelson, Harding Jones of Hot Spring Lenning Martin Porter Richardson Stoddard Tucker, Willcoxen and Wynn. 15 votes
Those members who voted for Mr Berry were Messrs Baker Berry Bradshaw Carnall Cochran Harrison Holt Hull, Jenkins Naylor Oliver Powell, Scott and Mr Speaker 14 votes
Those members who voted for Mr Block were Messrs Cheatham, Collins of Crew, Fuss Goodwin of Columbia, Lord Harris Haynes Mallory

McCullum, Neal, Pettigrew, Pettus Robins Yeager and Williamson 15 votes

Those members who voted for Mr Sterman were Messrs Byrd Crain Fenton Hammack Lafferty Lowry McFadden Moseley Phillips Zuttle Wilburn Wilson and Wycough 13 votes

On joint ballot Mr Trigg received 14 votes
" " " Oats " 20 "
" " " Berry " 17 "
" " " Block " 19 "
" " " Sterman " 18 "

Mr President of the Senate announced that neither of the candidates having received a majority of the votes cast there was no Election The Convention then proceeded to ballot a 3rd time

3rd Ballot In the Senate Mr Trigg received 3 votes
" " " " Oats " 5 "
" " " " Berry " 3 "
" " " " Block " 4 " and
" " " " Sterman " 5 " +

The vote of the House was then called Those members who voted for Mr Trigg were Messrs Cowley, Fletcher, Goodwin of Union Howell Jones of Lawrence, Murphy Pennington, Porter Perkins Russell, Warren, Williams of Jefferson & Williams of Union. 13 votes.

Those members who voted for Mr Oats were Messrs Collins of Bradley English Garrett, Haralson Harding Jones of Hot Spring, Lenning Martin Sloddard Tucker Wilcoxen and Wynne 12 votes

Those members who voted for Mr Berry were Messrs Baker Barnes Berry Bradshaw Carnall, Hanson, Holt, Hull, Jenkins, Naylor Olney Powell Scott and Mr Speaker 14 votes

Those members who voted for Mr Sterman were Messrs Byrd Cochran, Crain, Fenton, Hammack, Lafferty Lowry, McFadden, Moseley, Phillips Richardson Zuttle, Wilburn, Wilson and Wycough 15 votes

On joint ballot Mr Trigg received 16 votes
" " " Oats " 17 "
" " " Berry " 17 "
" " " Block " 19 " and
" " " Sterman " 20 "

Mr President of the Senate announced that neither

Those members who voted for Mr Blackmir, Messrs. Chatham, Collins of Bradley, Jones of Hot Spring, McCollum, Neal, Pettigrew, Robins Harris Hanger, Williamson. — 16 votes
Pettus Robins Yeager, of Mr Blackmir, Messrs. (Select committee by Clerk pro tem)

of the Candidates having received a majority of the votes cast there was no Election. Mr Jones of Lawrence then withdrew the name of Mr Grigg

The Convention then proceeded to ballot a 4th time

4th Ballot, In the Senate, Mr Oats received 4 votes
" " " " Berry " 3 "
" " " " Block " 5 " and
" " " " Sturman " 4 "

The roll of the House was then called

Those members who voted for Mr Oats were Messrs Collins of Bradley, English, Garth Harrison, Harding Jones of Hot Spring, Jones of Lawrence Lining Martin, Murphy, Pennington, Porter, Perkins Richardson, Stodart Tucker, Warner, Wilcox and Wynne 19 votes

Those members who voted Mr Berry were Messrs Baker, Barnes, Berry Bradshaw, Cornell, Cornelly Fletcher, Harrison, Holt Howell, Hall, Jenkins Mallory, McCallum, Neal, Pettigrew, Pettus Robins Teague, Williams of Union, Williamson, and Mr Speaker 17 votes

Those members who voted for Mr Block were Messrs Cheatham, Collins of Sevier, Curr Fordwin of Columbia, Goodwin of Union County, Harris Haynes, Mallory McCallum, Neal, Pettigrew Pettus Robins, Teague, Williams of Union and Williamson 17 votes

Those members who voted for Mr Sturman were Messrs Byrd, Cochran, Fain, Fenton Hammack, Lafferty Lowry, McFadden Mosely Phillips Lipsey Tutt Wilborn, Williams of Jefferson, Wilson, and Wyeough 16 votes

On fourth ballot Mr Oats received 27 votes
" " " " Berry " 20 "
" " " " Block " 22 "
" " " " Sturman " 20 "

Mr President of the Senate announced that neither of the candidates having received a majority of the votes cast there was no Election

The convention then proceeded to ballot a 5th time

5th ballot, In the Senate Mr Oats received 7 votes
" " " " Berry " 3 "
" " " " Block " 5 " and
" " " " Sturman " 5 "

The roll of the House was then called

Those members who voted for Mr Oats were Messrs Collins of Bradley, English, Garrett, Goodwin of Columbia Harelson Harding, Jones of Hot Spring, Jones of Lawrence, Lepperty Lenning, Martin, Murphy, Pennington Porter, Parkins, ---------, Stoddard, Tucker Warner, Wilcox, Williams of Jefferson & Wynn 21 votes

Those members who voted for Mr Berry were Messrs Baker, Barnes, Berry Bradshaw Carnall Cochran Connelly Hutchen, Harrison, Holt, Howell, Hull Jenkins Naylor, Oliver, Powell, Scott, and Mr Speaker 18 votes

Those members who voted for Mr Block were Messrs Cheatham, Collins of Dew, Fear, ---------- Goodwin of Union, Gould, Harris, Haynes, Mallory, McCollum, Neal, Pettigrew, Pettus, Robins, League, Williams of Union, and Williamson 16 votes

Those members who voted for Mr Stimson were Messrs Byrd, ---------- Hain Henton, Hammack, ---------, Lowry, McFadden, Moseley Phillips Richardson Sifel, Tuttle, Wilborn, ---------- Wilson and Wycough 14 votes

On joint ballot Mr Oats received 28 votes
" " " " Berry " 21 "
" " " " Block " 21 " and
" " " " Stimson " 19 "

Mr ~~Speaker~~ President of the Senate announced neither of the candidates having received a majority of all the votes cast there was no election

The Convention then proceeded to ballot a 6th time

6th ballot In the Senate Mr Oats received 9 votes
" " " " Berry " 3 "
" " " " Block " 5 " and
" " " " Stimson " 3 "

The Roll of the House was then called

Those members who voted for Mr Oats were Messrs Barnes, Collins of Bradley English Garrett Goodwin of Columbia, Harelson, Harding Jones of Hot Spring, Jones of Lawrence Lenning, Martin Murphy, Pennington Porter Parkins Richardson Stoddard, Tucker, Warner Wilcox and Wynn 21 votes

Those members who voted for Mr Berry were Messrs Baker, Berry, Bradshaw, Carnall, Cochran Connelly, Hain, Hutchen Hammack, Harrison

Holt, Howell, Hull, Jenkins Naylor Oliver Scott, and Mr Speaker 18 votes

Those members who voted for Mr Block were Messrs Cheatham, Collins of Lincoln, Fuss Goodwin of Union Lucas, Harris, Haynes, Mallory, McCollum, Neal Pettigrew, Pettus, Robins, Teague and Williams of Union 15 votes

Those members who voted for Mr Stirman were Messrs Byrd, Fenton Lafferty, Lowry, McFadden, Moseley Phillips, Powell, Sifell, Tutle, Wilborn, Williams of Jefferson, Williamson, Wilson, & Wycough 15 votes

On joint ballot Mr Oats received 38 votes
" " " " Berry " 21 "
" " " " Block " 20 " votes
" " " " Stirman " 18 "

Mr Speaker of the Senate announced neither of the Candidates having received a majority of all the votes cast there was no election

The Convention then on motion adjourned until tomorrow morning 9 o'clock A.M.

John Harrell
Speaker

Hall of the House of Representatives
Little Rock, Arkansas
Nov 13th 1862

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by Mr President of the Senate Prayer by the Revd Mr McKenzie Chaplain of the House The rolls of both Houses were called and a quorum of both ascertained to be present.

Mr. Haynes asked & obtained leave of absence for Mr. Lowry

Mr. Powell withdrew the name of Mr. Stirman.

Mr. Mallory withdrew the name of Mr. Block

The Convention then proceeded to ballot the 7th time 7th Ballot.— In the Senate Mr. Oats received 13 Votes. and Mr. Berry received 7 votes.

The roll of the House was then called and those Members who voted for Mr. Oats were. Messrs. Barnes, Cheatham, Collins of Bradley, Collins of Drew, English Gantt, Goodwin of Columbia, Gould, Haralson, Harding, Haynes Hunt, Jones of Hot Spring, Jones of Lawrence, Lafferty, Lemay, Mallory, Martin, McFadden, Murphy, Pettigrew, Porter, Pulliam, Richardson, Robins, Stoddard, Teague, Lucas,

Parmer, Wilcox, Williams of Jefferson, Williamson, Wilson Wycough & Wynne — 35.

Those members voting for Mr. Berry were — Messrs. Baker, Berry, Bradshaw, Byrd, Carnall, Cochran, Connelly Cain, Dunlap, Fletcher, Farr, Hudson of Union, Hammock Harris, Harrison, Holt, Hunter, Hull, Jenkins, McCollum Moseley, Naylor, Neal, Oliver, Remington, Pettus, Phillips, Powell, Scott, Sissel, Little, Walborn, Williams of Union & Mr. Speaker — 34.

On Joint Ballot Mr. Oates received 48 votes. & Mr. Berry received 41 votes.

Mr. President of the Senate then announced that Mr. Oates having received a majority of all the votes cast was duly and legally elected Secretary of State of the State of Arkansas for and during the term prescribed by law.

Mr. President then announced that the object of the Convention having been accomplished, the Senate then withdrew to their Chamber.

Mr. Speaker then called the House to order.

On motion of Mr. Neal the reading of the Journal was suspended until tomorrow.

Mr. Williams of Jefferson, from Select Committee presented the following report.

Mr. Speaker: The select committee to whom was referred that portion of the late Governor's Message, which relates to there having been illegal, oppressive, and unconstitutional Military Orders issued and enforced by Maj. Gen. T. C. Hindman, and Brig. Gen. Jno. S. Roane, in the Trans Mississippi District, by leave to report, that they have had the same under serious consideration and submit the following.—

The organic law both of the Confederate Government, as well as that of the State of Arkansas wise provides that the Military shall be kept in subordination to the Civil authority of the Country.— Without doubt this important provision, was inserted for the purpose of preventing the brave citizens from being oppressed by military usurpation, a law once violated familiarizes the abuse, and becomes a precedent for a second violation The best guarantee those in authority can give to our people, that our cause is just and worthy of all the efforts and sacrifices they are called upon to make in the great struggle our country is engaged, is to use their authority in strict accordance with the laws of the land.

That illegal and oppressive military orders have

been issued and enforced in the Trans-Mississippi District, by the officers above named from all the facts and evidence which your Committee have been able to collect, there is no doubt.

Whether these oppressive and illegal orders were issued through a mistaken conception of duty and authority, or recklessly and with disregard of the rights of the people, the committee of course are unable to determine, but they hope the former was the case, for your committee would regret to think that any one entrusted with high command in this earnest struggle for all we and that freemen hold dear on earth would wantonly oppress and injure the cause, & the people he was charged with protecting and defending. But however the facts may be it is clear that such orders have been issued and enforced. Your Committee do not deem it either prudent or necessary for them to set down here in detail the particular orders which are regarded as illegal or oppressive but in order to prevent all such in future, would recommend the adoption of the following joint resolution.

Resolved that our Senators in Congress be and are hereby instructed and our Representatives requested to exert their influence with the President of the Confederate States and the War Department to set aside and annul all illegal military Orders now in existence in the Trans Mississippi District and keep the Military so far as the exigencies of the country will allow in subordination to the civil authority. Williams of Jefferson

Chairman

Which was read a first time — and on motion of Mr. Scott the rules were suspended and the resolution read a 2d time. — On motion of Mr. Gould the rules were further suspended and the resolution read a third time and adopted.

The following message was received from the Senate by the hands of their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker. — I am instructed to inform your Honorable body that the Senate has passed the following Senate Bills No. 10. to be entitled an act to amend Chapter 17 of the Digest of the Statutes of Arkansas — No. 12 to be entitled an act to amend Chapter 147 of the Digest concerning County revenue — No. 13 to be entitled An act concerning the revenue of the Counties — No. 19 to be entitled An act to amend the Charter of Fort Smith — No 20. to be entitled An Act for the relief of Moses S. Hardin School Commissioner of Lawrence County. — Also Senate resolution tendering to the Military authorities the Carpets on the floors of the State House to

be made into blankets for Arkansas Soldiers, all of which are herewith transmitted for the assent of your Honorable body which is respectfully asked.

The Senate has passed the following House Bills, No. 10 to be entitled an act to authorize the Sheriff elect of the Counties of Lawrence Randolph and Searcy to collect the taxes in said counties for the year 1862.

No. 17 to be entitled an act to adopt Delphy Cain, Rachael Cain and Jacob Pitser Cain and make them the legal heirs of William Cain

No 27 to be entitled an act to change and regulate the time of Holding the Portlee court of Polk County Arkansas

No. 28. to be entitled an act to compensate the County and Portlee Judge of Arkansas county.

all of which are herewith returned. J. D. Kimbrell, Sec. Sen.

Mr. Speaker then announced that Petitions & Memorials were in order and directed the Clerk to call the Roll of Counties.

Mr. Olive presented the following Joint resolution.

Whereas, the Confederate State Armies under Generals Van Dorn Hardee, and Jeff Thompson did move East of the Mississippi River leaving numerous accounts unsettled, and Whereas there is no one left that is legally left to pay said claims And Whereas it would look hard for persons after giving up the last morsel of Grain and forage they had to supply the Armies when they were in great need, to receive no pay for the same, Therefore be it

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that our Senators in Congress be instructed and our Representatives be requested to endeavor to have an act passed by Congress establishing a Board of Claims to adjust and pay all such claims as they may think just that has been left unpaid by said Armies when they went East of the Mississippi River.

Which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Olive the rules were suspended and the resolution was read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Harding the resolution was referred to the Committee on Petitions and Memorials

Mr. Scott offered the following Joint resolution

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that it is deemed inexpedient under existing circumstances to go into the election of State land Agents at the present session of the General Assembly.

Resolved further that the present Land Agents now

in office shall continue in office until an election be had; and that they renew their bonds and sureties as now provided by law.

Resolved further. That the offices of Registers and Receivers of the several Land offices be continued in like manner with the State Land Agents until further provision shall be made by law respecting them.

Which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Scott the Rules were suspended and the resolution read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Potters the resolution was referred to the Committee on State Lands.

Mr. Naylor presented the following resolution:

Resolved that his Excellency the Governor, or other officer of this State, who may have cognizance of the same be respectfully requested to communicate to this House at his earliest convenience, a statement of moneys received or receivable from the United States of the five per cent fund, the manner and amount of its expenditure if any, the amount in the Treasury if any, and such other information in relation to said fund as may be of interest to this House.

On motion of Mr. Naylor the resolution was adopted.

Mr. Barnes presented the following resolution:

Resolved that the Judiciary Committee be requested to enquire into the propriety of so amending the attachment laws that the property of such Southern citizens as may have fled over to the Federals shall be subject to attachment or execution and sale, as by existing laws before the war commenced, and be requested to report by Bill or otherwise.

Which on motion of Mr Barnes was adopted.

Mr. English presented the following resolution:

Resolved That a special Committee be appointed and charged with the duty of enquiring and reporting to this House at the earliest practicable time, as follows

1 – At what point most central to the State and most convenient of access can iron ore be found in such abundance and to yield such percent of metal as to warrant the establishment of iron works with reasonable expectation of success –

2 – What will be the probable cost of erecting and putting into operation smelting and moulding

works such as would be necessary for casting Cannon grape and Canister Shot, balls, plows, cooking vessels &c in such abundance as to supply the wants of the State
3 – What will be the ~~probable~~ additional cost of erecting a forge and rolling mill such as will be necessary to manufacture iron for horse shoes nails wagon tire and other like purposes
4 – What will be the additional cost of constructing a machine for cutting nails
5 – What will be the additional cost of constructing a machine for drawing wire for card teeth &c &c
6 – Can a man well qualified for superintending the direction and management of such works be obtained and on what terms, and the name of such a man

Resolved further that the committee accompany their report with a suitable bill if they should deem it expedient –

Which on motion of Mr Williams of Jefferson was adopted –

Mr Speaker appointed Messrs English, Neal Pettus, Pennington & Gould of such committee

On motion of Mr Jenkins Mr Jones of Lawrence was added to said Committee

On motion of Mr Scott Mr Harris was added to said Committee

On motion of Mr Goodwin of Union Mr Naylor was added to said Committee

Mr Powell offered the following resolution

Resolved, That a Special Committee of three be appointed to enquire into the condition of the claims of the thirty day volunteers of this State called out by Col Borland and report to this house by bill or otherwise –

Which on motion of Mr Powell was adopted Mr Speaker appointed Messrs Powell, Naylor & Pettus such committee

Mr Baker offered the following joint Resolution – Resolved, By the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas, that the sum of twenty four dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the unexpended balance in the hands of the Military Board, to pay Dr A A Baker for medicine and treatment of sick soldiers in Capt Henry Hellers Company; while at Berryville Ar[illegible]

in the fall of 86 & 7, and that the Military Board be and are hereby authorized and requested to audit and allow the same -

Which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr Baker the rules were suspended and the resolution read a second time

On motion of Mr Fausen the resolution was then referred to the committee on claims

Mr Fair offered the following resolution which on motion was adopted

Resolved, That the Military Board of this State be requested to furnish this House with a complete list of claims and accounts disallowed or suspended by them for the inspection of the members of this House.

Mr Tucker offered the following resolution

Resolved, by the House of Representatives of the State of Arkansas, the Senate Concurring therein that we proceed to the election of Auditor and Treasurer for the State on Saturday next at 10 o'clock A.M. -

Mr Baker moved the adoption of the resolution upon which the Ayes & noes were called and the call being sustained, the Roll was called and those members who voted in the affirmative were

Messrs - Baker, Bradshaw, Byrd, Collins of Drew, Connelly, Fenton, Gantt, Goodwin of Columbia, Goodwin of Union, Hammock & Hannaman, Haynes, Howell, Jones of Hot Spring, Jones of Lawrence, Jeffery, Malloy, Martin, McCollum, McFadden, Mosely, Murphy, Olvin, Pettigrew, Phillips, Purkins, Richardson, Robins, Stadden & Tucker, Tuttle, Welborn, Williams of Jefferson, Wilson & Wynn - 35 Ayes

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs, Barns, Berry, Cornall, Cheatham, Cochran, Collins of Bradley, English, Fain, Fletcher, Fowler, Gould, Harding, Harris, Harrison, Holt, Hull, Hunt, Jenkins, Lenning, Naylor, Neal, Pennington, Pettus, Porter, Powell, Pratt, Russell, Teague, Warner, Willcoxon, Williams of Union, Williamson, Wycough, & Mr Speaker - 34

So the resolution was adopted.

Mr Robins offered the following Resolution

Resolved, That (the Senate concurring) the two Houses of this General Assembly, adjourn on Monday the 24th day of November inst at 12 O'clock M. sine die.

On motion of Mr. Gould the resolution was laid on the table.

Mr Pettus moved to take up Senate resolution in regard to adjournment of the Legislature.

Mr Durkee moved to amend the resolution by inserting Monday 24th at 2,0 clock P.M.

Mr Gould moved to lay the amendment on the table, Upon which Mr Durkee called for the Ayes & noes, & the call being sustained the rollcall was called and those members who voted in the affirmative were

Messrs. Carnell, Cheatham, Cochran, Gould, Harding, Harrison, Holt, Hurt, Jones of Hot Springs, Lanning, Moseley, Murphy, Neal, Williams of Union, Williamson and Mr Speaker — 16 ayes

Those members who voted in the negative were Messrs, Baker, Barry, Berry, Bradshaw, Byrd, Collins of Bradley, Collins of Crew, Connelly, English, Faul, Fenton, Fletcher, Fuller, Garrett, Goodwin of Columbia, Goodwin of Union, Hammack, Hamilton, Harris, Haynes, Howell, Jenkins, Jones of Lawrence, Lafferty, Mallory, Martin, McCollum, McFadden, Taylor, Olivir, Pennington, Pettigrew, Pettus, Phillips, Porter, Powell, Purkins, Richardson, Robins, Scott, Russell, Stoddard, Teague, Trotter, Tuttle, Warner, Welborn, Willcoxon, Williams of Jefferson, Wilson, Wycough & Wynn — 52 noes

So the motion to lay on the amendment on the table was lost.

Mr Stoddard moved to amend by inserting December 1st

Mr Jones of Hot Spring moved to lay the Resolution and amendments on the table which was carried.

Mr Byrd offered the following resolution

Resolved, By the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring) that a joint committee of both Houses be appointed to enquire into the expediency of abolishing the Military Board of Arkansas.

Mr Collins of Drew moved to lay the resolution on the table which was carried

Mr. Baker presented the following resolution

Whereas, the legislature at its last called session, having been elected and qualified under the old constitution proceeded to elect the Hon. R. W. Johnson and the Hon. C. B. Mitchell as Senators to the Confederate Congress for the term being, and as this is the first regular session under the new Constitution and under the new government it becomes our duty to elect a [redacted]ator to take the place formerly occupied by the said Hon. C. B. Mitchell in the Confederate Senate

Therefore Resolved by the House of Representatives the Senate Concurring that on a day hereafter to be fixed this legislature will proceed to elect a senator to the Confederate Congress to fill the place heretofore temporarily occupied by the Hon. C. B. Mitchell

Which on motion of Mr. Wynne was laid on the table

Mr. Neal offered the following resolution

Whereas there seems to be doubts in the minds of some as to the legality of the action of the legislature in regard to the Election of Confederate States Senators for the State of Arkansas at the Special Session thereof which if well taken tends to jeopardize the seat of our present able and efficient representative Hon. C. B. Mitchell in that Hon. Body — Therefore

Resolved, the Senate Concurring, that the action of that body in relation to said Election be and the same is hereby in all things confirmed.

Which on motion of Mr. Gould was adopted.

The Speaker then announced that Bills were in order

Mr. Richardson introduced House Bill No. 87 entitled an Act to repeal an Act amendatory of the Common School laws of the County of Arkansas — Which was read a first time

On motion of Mr. Gould the rules were suspended & the Bill read a second time by title

On motion of Mr. Collins of Drew the rules were further suspended and the bill read a third time — and passed

Mr. Fisher introduced House Bill No. 38 entitled An Act to repeal an Act Entitled an Act to compel the

residence of some white person on plantations where there are slaves. – Which was read a first time

On motion of Mr. Oliver the rules were suspended & bill read 2d time

On motion of Mr. Pennington the rules were suspended & the bill read a 3d time and passed.

Mr. Collins of Bradley introduced House Bill No. 39 entitled an act to repeal an act to prevent the distillation of grain in this State. – Which was read a first time

Mr. Harris moved to suspend the rules & read the Bill a second time. Mr. Guild objected & called for a Division – & upon the vote being taken 46 members voted in the affirmative and 8 members voted in the negative – so the rules were suspended & the bill read a second time by title

Mr. Jones of Hot Spring moved to amend by striking out the words two Dollars and insert four Dollars in lieu thereof.

On motion of Mr. Williams of Jefferson the amendment was laid on the table

Mr. Oliver moved to amend by striking out the words less than one Gallon

Mr. Fiser moved to lay the Bill and amendment on the table. pending which

The following message was received from the Senate by the hands of their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker. I am instructed to inform your Honorable body that the Senate has passed Senate Bill No. 14 to be entitled an act to authorize Edward B. Banks to erect and keep a toll Bridge across Maumelle Creek, which is herewith transmitted for the assent of your honorable body which is respectfully asked. Jno D. Kimbell Sec. Senate

The vote being then taken on Mr. Fiser's motion ~~[illegible]~~ a division was called for and twenty three members voted in the affirmative and twenty five in the negative so the motion to lay on the table was lost –

The Question as to what Constitutes a quorum here arose, and Mr Scott introduced the following Resolution – Resolved, That whereas the number of members to the present House of Representatives as provided for by law is seventy five therefore a quorum of the House shall consist of 51 members –

Pending which On motion of Mr Pittman the House adjourned to to morrow morning, 8 O'clock –

John Carroll
Speaker

Hall of the House of Representatives
Little Rock, Ark. Nov 14th 1862

The House met pursuant to adjournment.
Prayer by the Revd Mr McKenzie Chaplain –
Mr Speaker then being called upon, decided that Fifty-one members under the Constitution constituted a quorum of the House for the transaction of business –
The Roll was called and Messrs Lowry and Harding were absent –
The Journals of the 12th & 13th were read and approved –
Mr Pickett asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr Harding –
Mr Gantt asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr Lowry –
Mr Speaker then announced that reports from Standing Committees were in order
Mr Neal offered the following report
Mr Speaker –
Your Committee to whom was referred Senate Bill No 9. have had the same under consideration and have instructed me to report it back to the House with the following amendment and recommend its passage, to wit, amend by striking out the words, "Since the ~~the~~ 1st day of January A.D. 1862 or hereafter", in the second section, and insert in lieu thereof after the passage of this act – Neal Chairman
Which report was, on motion of Mr Scott adopted –
Mr Scott offered the following amendment to the bill, – "Provided that the provisions of this act shall in no case be applied to alien nonresidents, who are now or who may become citizens of any of the States now at war with the Confederate States –
On motion of Mr Bradshaw the amendment was adopted –
Mr Powell moved to reconsider the vote adopting the report of the Committee, which was lost –
Mr Collins of Drew moved to make the Bill and amendments the special order for next Tuesday in Committee of the whole House at 10 O'clock A.M. which was adopted –
Mr Moseley moved that a committee of three be appointed by the Speaker to obtain Paper upon which important bills might be printed – which was carried –
Mr Speaker appointed Messrs Moseley, Scott and

Fletcher said Committee -

Mr Cannall Chairman of Committee on Ways & Means presented the following report -

Mr Speaker -

The Committee on ways & means to whom was referred House Bill No 31 have had the same under consideration and have instructed me to report it back and recommend its passage -

Cannall Chairman

Mr Furr moved to adopt the report which was carried

Mr Pennington moved to amend the Bill by striking out the words "the rising of this body" and insert in lieu thereof "the passage of this act" which was adopted -

On motion of Mr Pennington the Rules were suspended and the Bill read a third time and passed -

Mr Collins of Dallas moved to amend the title to the Bill by inserting "War Bonds" after the word "Warrants" which on motion of Mr Cannall was adopted. —

Mr Purkins offered the following report

Mr Speaker the Committee to whom was referred House Bill No 24, entitled "an act to amend an act entitled an act to aid the Arkansas institute for the Blind" have had the same under consideration and have instructed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment and recommend its passage - Purkins Chairman

which report was on motion Mr Allen received -

Mr Neal moved to postpone the further consideration of this bill until next Tuesday at 11 O'clock A.M. and that one hundred copies be printed for the use of the members of this House - Upon which motion a division was called for, and 17 members voted in the affirmative and 31 voted in the negative so the motion was lost -

On motion of Mr Scott the rules were suspended and the bill was read a third time and passed -

Mr Jones of Lawrence presented the following report

Mr Speaker

The Committee on Penitentiary to whom was referred House Resolution inquiring into the expediency of erecting a factory in our State Penitentiary for the purpose of manufacturing cotton and woolen goods, have had the same under consideration and

have instructed me to report the same back to this house and recommend its rejection —

Jones of Lawrence Chm
Comm on Penitentiary

Which on motion was received and adopted —

Mr Nyman offered the following report.

Mr Speaker — The joint Resolution instructing our Senators and requesting our representatives in Congress to use their influence for the payment of money due those who have had cotton distroyed by Military Authorities have had the same under consideration and instructed me to report it back to the House and recommend its adoption —

Nyman Chm

Which was on motion of Mr Fenn adopted —

Mr Warner moved to amend by striking out "1861", and insert "any cotton" which was lost —

Mr Williams of Jefferson moved to strike out the words "on my hearth", which was carried.

Pending which the following message was received from the Governor by the hands of Mr Wm H. Mathiny his private Secy —

Mr Speaker —

I am instructed to inform your Honorable body, that on the 13th day of November 1862, he approved and signed the following acts to wit; "An act for the relief of Scott County" "An act to suspend the special road law in Dallas Craighead and Green Counties and for other purposes —

W M. Mathiny Pri Secy

Mr Olivier moved to strike out the words "Senate Concurring"; which was lost,

Mr Martin moved to amend by inserting "Rejected and used" after the word distroyed, which was adopted —

On motion the resolution was then read a third time and adopted: —

Mr Neal moved to reconsider the vote adopting the resolution — which was lost —

Mr Nyman presented the following report

Mr Speaker —

The Committee to whom was referred the Joint resolution in relation to the creation of a factory, for the manufacture of Clothing in the

tions Mississippi district have had the same under consideration & instructed me to report the same back to the House and recommend its adoption. — Wm Chum

On motion of Mr Warner the report was adopted

The Resolution was then read a third time and passed —

Mr Neal presented the following report

Mr Speaker

Your Committee to whom was referred House bill No 26 have had the same under consideration, and the committee have instructed me to report it back to the House and recommend its rejection. — Neal Chm pro tem

Mr Goodwin of Union moved that the report be rejected, which was lost, —

Mr Cannall moved that the report be adopted upon which a division was called for and 32 members voted in the affirmative, and 20 in the negative — So the report was adopted —

Mr McCollum offered the following report

Mr Speaker —

Your Committee to whom was referred certain petitions from Citizens of Poinsett St. Francis, Crittenden & Craighead; with instructions to report by bill or otherwise, have had the same under consideration and have instructed me to report the accompanying bill and recommend its passage — McCollum Chm

On motion of Mr Mullony the report was received and House Bill No 40 — Entitled "an act to establish the County of Cross" was read a first time —

40 Cross Co.

On motion of Mr Cannall the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr Cannall the rules were further suspended and the Bill read a third time and passed —

Mr Pettigrew from the Committee on enrollments made the following report —

Mr Speaker — The Committee on enrollments did on the 12th day of Nov 1866, deliver to the Governor for his approval House bills Nos 4 & 8, and have instructed me to report the same to this House

Geo Pettigrew Chm Com on Enrollments

Mr Speaker then announced that reports from Special Committees were in order –

Mr Collins of Drew presented the following report, which was received and adopted –

Mr Speaker – The Joint Select Committee to whom was referred so much of the Governor's message as relates to the support of Michigan families of soldiers, beg leave to report that they have had the same under consideration, and have unanimously agreed to report a bill granting relief to such families, the bill will be reported to the Senate to-day – Your Committee ask to be discharged from any further consideration of the subject –

Collins of Drew Chm

Mr Collins of Drew offered the following report which on motion was received and adopted

Mr Speaker – The committee to whom was referred a Bill entitled An act to provide relief of the families of volunteers in this State in certain cases, beg leave to report: That they have had the same under consideration and return the same to the House; and recommend no further action in the same, the joint committee having agreed to a bill on the same subject which will be reported to the Senate at an early day for its action.

Collins of Drew, Chm

Mr. Speaker then announced that Petitions and memorials were in order, and directed that the Roll of the Counties be called.

Mr. Williams of Union presented the petition of certain free persons of Color in the County of Union accompanied by a Bill, entitled "An act to enable certain free negroes and mulattoes to pay their debt" Which Petition and Bill without reading were referred to a select committee of five.

Mr. Speaker appointed as such committee Messrs. Steal, Gordon of Union, Furr, Moseley & Jackson.

Mr. Speaker announced that Motions & Resolutions were in order.

Mr. Collins of Drew presented the following resolution

Resolved. That the Hall of this House be and is hereby tendered to Genl. Jeff. Thompson, this evening at 7 o'clock, and he be invited to address the people upon any subject he may please touching the condition of the Country

and that Messrs. Wilson, Atzenn & Carnale notify Jno. Thompson of the tender of the Hall to his use which was adopted.

Mr. Fletcher presented the following Joint resolution.

Resolved. By the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas, That the Treasurer of the State of Arkansas be required to redeem all detached Coupons taken off genuine War Bonds that may be presented to him by the rules and regulations of the Treasurers office of the State of Arkansas:

Which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Pennington the rules were suspended and the resolution read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Pennington the rules were further suspend and the resolution read a third time & adopted.

Mr. Howell moved that the House take a recess till 2 o'clock. Which motion was lost.

Mr. Carnale presented the following report

Mr. Speaker – The committee for ways & means to whom was referred House Bill No. – Entitled An act for the relief of James L. Morton & others have had the same under consideration and have instructed me to report it back and recommend its rejection, & the passage of the substitute bill herewith returned

Carnale, Chm

Which report was adopted & the Bill read a first time

On motion of Mr. Carnale the rules were suspended & the bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Carnale the rules were further suspended & the Bill read a third time & passed.

The following Message from the Senate was received by the hands of their secretary.

Mr. Speaker. I am instructed to inform your honorable body that the senate has passed Senate Bill No 10½ to be entitled An act for the benefit of the widow and children of Milton Alley of Columbia County. Also Senate Bill No. 11, to be entitled An act concerning the future issuance of War Bonds & Treasury Warrants Also Senate Joint Resolution relative to the purchase and transportation of articles of clothing and Manufacture from the Eastern portion of the confederacy to the Trans-Mississippi District under which a joint Committee is proposed, and Messrs. Williams, Stillwell & Bunch are appointed on the part of the Senate.

Said two Senate Bills & Joint resolution are herewith transmitted for the consideration of your honorable body which is respectfully asked. The Senate has also amended and passed House Bill to be entitled An Act amendatory of an Act to prevent the distillation of grain into ardent spirits, approved March 19, 1862 which is herewith returned with amendment attached for the consideration of your honorable body. Geo D Kimbell Sec Senate

Mr. Perkins moved that the House take up the unfinished business of yesterday. Which was adopted.

The Speaker then announced the question to be on Mr. Furr's motion to lay House Bill No. 39 & amendments on the table, no quorum having voted on yesterday — upon which question a division was called for and 21 members voted in the affirmative, and 31 members voted in the negative. So the motion to lay on the table was lost.

Mr. Collins of Drew moved that House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of House Bill No 39 & amendments. upon which a division was called for and 43 voted in the affirmative, and 7 voted in the negative Mr. Speaker announced that no quorum had voted. — When

On motion of Mr. Peters the House adjourned till to morrow morning at 9 o'clock

John Harrell
Speaker

Hall of the House of Representatives
Little Rock, Ark, Nov 15th 1862

House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker,

Prayer by the Rev Mr McKenzie Chaplain —

The Roll was called and Messrs English and Fenton were absent

Mr Williams of Jefferson asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr English on account of sickness in his family —

Mr Fenton asked and obtained leave of absence on account of sickness

Mr Williams of Jefferson moved to dispense with the reading of the Journal, upon which a division was called for and 13 members voted in the affirmative and 45 in the negative

so the motion was lost –

The Journal was then read and approved –

The following message was then received from the Senate by the hands of its Secy –

Senate Chamber Nov 15 – 1862

Mr Speaker – I am instructed to inform your Honorable body, that the Senate has concurred in House resolution proposing to go into the election of Auditor and Treasurer to day at 10 o'clock A.M.

The Senate has also concurred in House resolution confirming the election of Confederate State Senators at the Special Session of the General Assembly –

The Senate has assented to House bill No 40 entitled "an act to establish the County of Crop, which is returned –

Jno D. Hembree Secy Senate

The following message was received from the Governor by the hands of his Private Secy – Mr M. Mathiny –

Little Rock, Ark, Executive Office
Nov 15th, 1862

To the Speaker of the
House of Representatives –

For the information of the General Assembly, and that the members may take such action upon the subject as its importance and the urgency of the case demands, I herewith transmit you a communication from Maj Genl Holmes revoking his orders in reference to the production of Salt, and establishing a Tariff of prices for the necessaries of life,

I have the honor to be your Obt Servt
Thos Fletcher

Head Quarters Trans Mississippi Department
Little Rock, Ark, Nov 13th 1862

His Excellency
Governor Thomas Fletcher

Sir – By direction of Major General Holmes, Commanding the Trans Mississippi Department, I have the honor to transmit herewith copies of Paragraph III, General Order No 21 and Paragraph IV, Special Order No 43, and also General Order No 38, from these Head Quarters – I am Sir very respectfully
Your Most Obt Servt
S. S. Anderson
Adjt Genl.

Head Quarters Trans Miss Department
Little Rock, Ark, Oct 1, 1862

(Extract)
Special Order No 43.

II. The present production of Salt in this department is not

sufficient for supplying the army and the people. The price demanded is exorbitant, and great inconvenience has ensued, and much suffering will result from this cause. It is believed it can be remedied by carrying on the works on government account. Therefore all salt works within the State of Arkansas, and the Indian Territory which are not producing their greatest capacity, will be taken possession of by an agent of the Confederate States, to be designated from their Head Quarters, who will take steps at once to increase their production to the greatest extent possible. For this purpose he will be authorized to obtain by hire or purchase, or if necessary by impressment, the requisite labor and material. The Quartermaster and Commissary Department will afford him every aid and assistance possible.

The agent will set apart monthly for army use, such proportion of salt manufactured by him as may be required by the Chief Commissary of the Department, not to exceed one half of the amount manufactured; the remainder he will sell to citizens at the price of one dollar and fifty cents ($1,50) per bushel, or less, if the cost of manufacture is below that price payable in Confederate money, or in corn, wheat, flour, pork, bacon, lard, and such other articles of subsistence as may be necessary, in due proportion of each, limiting the quantity of salt sold to each citizen to a reasonable supply for himself and family; the prices to be paid, in kind, for subsistence, will be regulated by the tariff. This applies when the articles are delivered at the place where produced, when delivered at Government depots, the actual expense of transportation will be added.

It must be perfectly palpable to every one, that on the successful operation of this order will depend the ability of the people to provide provisions for another year. As soon as the emergency is passed, the order will be rescinded. A fair compensation will be allowed the owners of the works meanwhile.

Major C. P. King, C.S., is appointed agent for the Government to carry out this order.

By Command of Maj Gen Holmes
S. S. Anderson
Lieut Col and A. A. G. General

(Extract)

Head Quarters Trans Miss Department
Little Rock, Oct 1 - 1862

General Order No. 21.

III. The brave and determined men who fill up the ranks of our armies and protect the rights of all, have left their wives and

children, their mothers & sisters, in the care of their respective communities - They reasonable expect that the citizens who remain at home, and for whom they risk their lives, will at least keep their families from suffering, This reasonable expectation is not fully met, In many cases, the families of soldiers are in extreme destitution, many others are likely to become destitute, and a frightful state of want must soon prevail among them, unless extraordinary steps are taken for their relief, - The Government is bound to its soldiers, to avert such calamities if possible - The only measure that seems adequate is to regulate the prices of the necessaries of life - Therefore the following tariff of prices is hereby adopted for the articles named, to wit;

Corn per bushel	$1.00	Corn Meal per bushel	$1.25
Wheat " "	1.50	Flour per 100 lbs	8.00
Bacon " lb	25	Leather (Sole) per lb	50
Leather (upper) per lb	75	Pork (bulk) " "	15
Salt per bushel	1.50	Sweet potatoes " bushel	1.00

If any person having any of the above articles for sale shall ask or receive any higher prices than that above specified or shall refuse to sell the same, the person wishing to buy shall report the fact to the nearest Provost Marshall, who will see this order executed, and report the delinquent to the Provost Marshall General. x x x x x x x x x x x x

By order of Maj Genl Holmes -

Oct 8 - S. S. Anderson Lt Col C.S.A. and A.A General

Head Quarters Trans Miss Department

Little Rock, Ark, Nov 18th 1862

General Order No 38

I, The Legislature of Arkansas being in session, it is no longer necessary for the military authority to take action in any matter having regard only to the well being of the people, Paragraph III, General Order No 21 and Paragraph II, Special Order No 43, current series are thereon revoked.

By Command of Maj Genl Holmes

S S. Anderson Asst Ad Genl

Mr Pettus presented the following report -

Mr Speaker - The Committee appointed by the two Houses to notify the Hon Harris Flanagin of his election as Governor beg leave to report that they have performed that duty and certify him have selected 3 O'clock PM this day as the time for his installation -

A Programme will be announced by the Committee this evening - Pettus Chairman of Home Com

which was received –

Mr Pettigrew presented the following report

Mr Speaker the Committee on enrollments have examined House bill No 40, and instructed me to report the same correctly enrolled –

Pettigrew Chm Com on Enrollments

which was received –

On motion the unfinished business of yesterday was then taken up –

The question being on the motion of Mr Collins of Drew that the House go into Committee of the whole for the consideration of House bill No. 39 & amendments – upon which motion a division was called for and 39 members voted in the affirmative and 20 in the negative, so the House decided to go into Committee of the whole –

The following Communication from Mr H. P. Vaughan Secretary of the Military Board was laid before the House by Mr Speaker –

Hon John Hanell – Speaker of the House of Representatives

Sir – In response to a resolution passed by your Honorable body requesting the Military Board to furnish the House of Representatives with a complete list of claims and accounts disallowed or suspended by them, I write here state that it will be impossible to do so, as nearly all the claims rejected were returned to the holders – There are however a few on file which have not been by the owners called for, as follows –

J. P. Prescott & Co	$ 57.40 –	Furstenburg & Co		$ 15.75
N. E. Davis	125.00 –	"	"	101.00
M. M. Kenny	32.23 –	"	"	27.50
Chas A. Smith	41.00 –	"	"	202.75
T. N. Clegg	10.90 –	"	"	4.00
W M. Nelson	18.85 –	"	"	27.50
George Harris	–	"	"	4.00
W H. Polk	12.42 –	"	"	147.75
N F. Johnson	21.45 –	"	"	135.15
J. K. Brown	9.10 –	"	"	12.20
Cyrus Blacer	11.16 –	F. M. Lovegrove		9.00
Alex Forgzell	3.25 –	Ezra Henderson		14.00
Furstenburg & Co	27.50 –	F. P. Redman		800.00

I am directed by the Board to further state to your Hon body that they will in a few days be able to lay before you a report of their proceedings –

Very Respectfully Your Obt. Servt
H. P. Vaughan Secy M. B.

The House then went into Committee of the whole for the consideration of House bill No 39 & amendments Mr Fuller in the Chair, and after some time spent therein the Committee rose, and by their Chairman made the following Report -

Mr Speaker - The Committee of the whole House have had under consideration House bill No 39. to be entitled "an act to repeal an act to prevent the distillation of grain in this State", and have instructed me to report progress & ask time to further consider the same -

Fuller Chairman
Committee of the Whole House

Which report was received -

On motion of Mr Collins of Drew, the House then took a recess until 10. o'clock, in order for the Door Keeper to prepare the Hall of the House for the reception of the Senate -

The hour of 10 o'clock having arrived, Mr Speaker called the House to order - & on motion of Mr Collins of Drew, the Clerk was directed to inform the Senate that the House were then ready to receive them -

The Senate preceeded by its Officers appeared within the bar of the House and were seated -

Mr President of the Senate announced the object of the Convention of the two Houses of the General Assembly to be to go into the election of an Auditor of Public Accounts and a Treasurer - ~~the rolls of the two~~ Houses were then called and a quorum of both ascertained to be present,

Mr President ~~of the Senate~~ then announced that nominations for Auditor were in order -

Mr Bunch of the Senate nominated Mr Wm R. Miller
" Embree " " " " " A. L. Woodruff

There being no further nominations, the Convention proceeded to ballot -

In the Senate Mr Miller received 16 votes
" " " Woodruff " 3 "

The roll of the House was then called and those members who voted for Mr Miller were -

Messrs - Brailsford, Byrd, Chenault, Cochran, Collins of Dew, Connelly, Fain, Goodwin of Columbia, Goodwin of Union, Gould, Hammack, Hendrson, Haynes, Howell, Hull, Jenkins, Jones of Hot Spring, Jones of Lawrence, Lafferty, Loving, Malloy, Martin, McCollum, Moseley, Murphy, Oliver, Pettigrew, Phillips, Porter, Powell, Pinkins,

Robins, Scott, Stoddard, Teague, Tucker, Turner, Wilcoxen, Williams of Jefferson, Williams of Union, Williamson Wilson, Wycough, & Wynn — 44 votes —

Those members who voted for Mr Woodruff were Messrs. Baker, Barnes, Collins of Bradley, Fletcher, Furr Gantt, Harding, Harris, Harrison, Holt, Hurt, Lenning McFadden, Naylor, Pennington, Pettus, Richardson, Russell Tuttle, Welborn, & Mr Speaker — 22 votes —

On joint ballot Mr Miller received 60 votes —
" " " " Woodruff " 25 "

Mr President of the Senate announced that Wm P. Miller having received a majority of all the votes cast was duly and legally elected Auditor of Public Accounts of the State of Arkansas for and during the term prescribed by law —

Mr President of the Senate then announced that nominations for Treasurer were in order —

Mr Collins of Bradley nominated Mr L B Cunningham
" Tucker " " James A. Martin

There being no further nominations the Convention proceeded to ballot —

On the Senate Mr Cunningham received 4 votes
" " " " Martin " 14 "
" " " " John H. Crease " 1 "

The roll of the House was then called and those members who voted for Mr Cunningham were —
Messrs — Baker, Barnes, Cannall, Cheatham, Cochran, Collins of Bradley, Fain, Fletcher, Furr, Gantt, Goodwin of Columbia, Goodwin of Union, Gould, Hammack, Harding, Harrison, Holt, Hall, Hurt, Jenkins, Jones of Hot Spring, Lafferty, Lenning, Lowry, McCollum McFadden, Moseley, Naylor, Neal, Oliver, Pettigrew Phillips, Porter, Powell, Richardson, Robins, Russel Teague, Tuttle, Turner, Welborn, Wilcoxen, Williams of Jefferson, Wilson, Wycough & Mr Speaker — 46 votes

Those members who voted for Mr Martin were Messrs — Berry ~~[illegible]~~, Bradshaw, Byrd, Collins of Dew Connelly, Hanalson, Harris, Haynes, Howell, Jones of Laurence, Mallory, Martin, Murphy, Pennington, Pettus, Pulkins, Scott, Stoddard, Tucker, Williams of Union Williamson & Wynn — 22 votes —

On joint ballot Mr Cunningham received 51 votes
" " " " Martin " 36 "
" " " " Crease " 1 "

Mr President of the Senate announced that Mr L. S. Cunningham having received a majority of all the votes cast was duly and legally elected Treasurer of the State of Arkansas for and during the term prescribed by law.

Mr President of the Senate then announced that the object of the Convention had been accomplished & the Senate withdrew to their Chamber.

Mr Speaker called the House to order.

Mr Pettus presented the following resolution

Resolved, That the Senate be invited to meet this House in Convention, this evening at 2½ O'clock for the purpose of inaugurating the Governor.

Which on motion of Mr Gould was adopted.

On motion of Mr Collins of Drew the House then went into Committee of the whole for the further consideration of House bill No 39 - Mr Tucker in the Chair - and after some time spent therein - the Committee rose and by their Chairman made the following report -

Mr Speaker

The Committee of the whole House have further considered House bill No 39, and have instructed me to report the same back to the House with amendments and recommend its passage as amended.

Tucker Chairman
Committee of the Whole House

The following message was received from the Governor

Mr Speaker - I am instructed by the Governor to inform your Honorable body, that on the 15th day of November 1862, he approved and signed, "An act to establish the County of Crosby"

Yr M. Mathenny
Private Secy.

Nov 15 - 1862.

The following message was received from the Senate by the hands of their Secretary -

Mr Speaker - I am instructed to inform your Honorable body, that the Senate have concurred in the resolution of the House, to meet in joint Convention, this evening for the purpose of inaugurating the Governor elect. - D. D. Newbell Secy of Senate

Mr Neale offered the following resolution which was adopted -

Resolved, That the Representative Hall be tendered to Dr McDowell on Thursday Evening

next at 7 o'clock to deliver an address on the present state of the War -

Mr Moseley presented the following report from Select Committee -

Mr Speaker - The Select Committee to whom was referred the duty of ascertaining whether or not paper could be obtained on which to print bills &c for the use of the House, beg leave to report that the public printers Messrs Johnson & Gentles are prepared to do such printing as the House may order, but the paper they have on hand at present though of an inferior quality will in the judgment of the Committee answer very well -

J B. Moseley Chm

Which on motion was received -

Mr Scott moved that the House take a recess until 2½ o'clock P.M. - On which motion a division was called for and 30 members voted in the affirmative and 28 in the negative -

So the House took a recess until 2½ o'clock P.M.

2½ o'clock P.M.

Mr Speaker called the House to order -

Mr Speaker announced that the report of the Committee of the Whole House, on House bill No 39 was in order -

On motion of Mr Collins of Drew the report was received and adopted -

Mr Purkins moved that the rules be suspended & that the bill be read a third time and put upon its final passage, and upon which moved the previous question -

Mr Scott moved for a call of the House -

Pending which on motion of Mr Pettus the House took a recess for 10 minutes, in order for the Door Keeper to prepare the Hall for the reception of the Senate -

The 10 minutes having expired the House was called to order by Mr Speaker, and the Clerk was directed to inform the Senate that the House was now ready to receive them in their Hall -

The Senate preceeded by their officers then appeared within the bar of the House and were seated

Mr President of the Senate announced that the object of the Convention of the two Houses of the General Assembly was for the purpose of the inauguration of the Governor elect of the State of Arkansas, for the Constitutional term of 4 years.

The Hon Harris Flanagin Governor Elect of the State, accompanied by the Committee of arrangements of both Houses, then appeared within the bar of the House.

A prayer was then offered by the Revd D. L. G. McKenzie Chaplain of the House.

The Oath of Office was then administered to Hon. Harris Flanagin by Chief Justice English.

Governor Flanagin then delivered the following address —

Senators, Representatives, Fellow-citizens, Ladies: Permit me to acknowledge to the people of Arkansas, my obligations for the honor conferred, by an election to the Chief Magistracy of the State — A position at all times honorable and distinguished, but rendered still more so, by the importance of the trust, in the midst of the fearful struggle in which we are now engaged.

Most sincerely do I doubt my abilities to perform the duties in such a manner, as will meet my own full approval, in after times. — I can only promise a faithful performance of the duties of my office with such ability as I possess.

After this State severed her connexion with the Federal Union, I determined that my undivided exertions should be devoted in order to secure our National Independence, and that no private interest or advantage, should interfere with my purpose in this respect. — As the Executive of this State, while I will use every exertion to protect the State and her citizens, I am fully persuaded that I shall best do so, by promoting the great cause of Southern Independence.

Many of us, at the election of President Lincoln, were of the opinion that the South could not effect her constitutional rights, under an administration which had been elevated solely for the reason that it was composed of the avowed enemies of our institutions. — Observation,

since that time, has proven our fears well founded.— There are few rights, secured by the Constitution of the United States, which have not been violated.— That instrument secures the right of free speech— thousands are, and have been, imprisoned, because they opposed a cruel, unjust and relentless war, upon the people of the southern States.— The Con-stitution secures the liberty of the Press— hun-dreds have been imprisoned, and their papers suspended, for the reason that they were opposed to an administration, elected by a minority of the people.— That Constitution secures the right of property— hundreds of men have been fined by Military officers, in sums of from one hun-dred to two thousand dollars, for no act done, or word spoken, but, because they were suspected of sympathizing with an oppressed people.— That Constitution secures the personal liberty of the citizen— many thousands are now impris-oned, without authority of law, because they are suspected, or groundlessly charged, with want of sympathy with our oppressors.— A Republican Government is secured by that instrument— Where the Federals are in power, a man who is not supposed to favor the National Administration, is not permitted to be a can-didate for office; and, if he persists, he is sent to prison, and the result is, that, in many places, not one third of the votes are cast.—

— It is unnecessary to multiply instances.— It is enough that the Chief Magistrate of that people, has avowed the violation of a constitution he was sworn to support, under the plea of necessity.—

Notwithstanding this open disregard of rights which all have heretofore regarded as sacred, there seems to be no remedy— none is even proposed; and it may be fairly stated, that, hereafter, a citizen of that country will enjoy no rights, ex-cept by permission of the federal authority.

Our seperation from the Federal Union, was not a moment too soon; and, if Republican Gov-ernment, and Constitutional rights, are to have existence hereafter, it must be in the Southern Confederacy.

History does not mention a country producing tropical productions, where slavery did not exist, which was a fit residence for civilized, enlightened people.— Rome, Greece, and Egypt, among the Ancients, and Jamaica & Hayti among the Moderns, show that, however great and happy a country may be with it, it will become degraded and contemptible, without it.

The War that has been waged upon us, has been more relentless and bitter.— It has been conducted on a scale of fearful proportions: and, while some of our enemies have professed to fight for a union, which, to us, had become hateful, a majority, only, desired an excuse to destroy us.— Many of the rules of civilized warfare, have been openly disregarded; other rules have been observed, only when a fearful retaliation was threatened.

Our new Government has already become endeared to many of us, by the toils of the living, and the sufferings of the dead.— While we fight to maintain Republican institutions, Constitutional right, and the institution of Slavery, we would disgrace ourselves, and posterity, by delay or insufficiency, in a cause where so many have fallen.— I repeat, then, that as Executive of the State, I shall use all proper exertions, to maintain our common cause, and our common country;— and rather than to fail in my duty, in this respect, I would prefer being a teamster in the Confederate army, than Governor of this Sovereign State.

Having had no opportunity to acquaint myself with our legislation history for the past Eighteen months, I shall await further investigation, before recommending any particular legislation.

In general terms, however, I will call your attention to the families of indigent volunteers.— Let me assure you, that no feeling officer, can hear, with indifference, the declaration of a good soldier, that, so far as he knows or believes, his wife and children have not the necessaries of life.— The soldier, out of his pay,

is often compelled to provide necessaries for himself, and, owing to the high price of provisions, his whole pay is not enough to support even a moderate family.— If the bullies of this war are fought by the men of the land, it is but right that the wealth should bear the pecuniary burden.— Let me earnestly ask such legislation as shall reach the evil.

In conclusion.— I have been elected by the people of the State, and not by a party, clique or faction; and, so far as in me lies, I am determined to be the Governor of the People, and not the Governor of any party, clique or faction.— Indeed, I think that any man who has a party, at this time, other than the country, loves the south less than he ought.— May my official acts be such as will be beneficial to the State, and honorable to myself.

Mr. President of the Senate then announced that the present Convention of the Two Houses of the General Assembly having been accomplish the Senate retired to their chamber.

On motion the House then adjourned until Monday morning at 9 o'clock

John Harrell
Speaker

Hall of the House of Representatives
Little Rock, Ark. Nov 17th 1862

House met pursuant to adjournment —
Prayer by the Revd Mr McKenzie Chaplain —
The Roll was then called, and Messrs Fair, Hanraham, Mullony & Pennington were absent, Mr English was absent on leave,
Mr Hammack asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr Fair —
The Journal was then read and approved —
On motion of Mr Scott the reading of the Message from the Governor in the Journal was dispensed with —
On motion of Mr Oliver the reading of the Communication of Mr Vaughan Secy of the Military Board, in the Journal was dispensed with —
On motion of Mr Scott the reading of the manual

of the Governor
address in the Journal was dispensed with –
Mr Martin asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr Hanalson –
Mr Scott introduced the following resolution which on motion was adopted –
Resolved that 500 copies of the Inaugural Address of the Governor be printed for the use of the members of this House –
Mr Speaker announced that reports of Standing Committees were in order –
Mr Neal presented the following report
Mr Speaker – The Committee to whom was referred House bill No 23, would respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and directed me to report it back to the House with a substitute, and recommend the passage of the substitute
C B. Neal Chm pro tem Jud Com
which report was on motion of Mr Furr adopted –
House bill (Substitute) No 23, entitled, "an act to prevent the issuing of Executions" was read a first time
On motion of Mr Scott the rules were suspended and the Bill read a second time –
On motion of Mr McKee the rules were further suspended and the Bill read a third time and passed, the title was then adopted as part of the same –
The Clerk was instructed to communicate its passage to the Senate immediately –
Mr Neal presented the following report
Mr Speaker – Your Committee to whom was referred House bill No 20 have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report this a substitute and recommend its passage –
Neal Chm pro tem Jud Com
which on motion of Mr Gould was adopted – And House bill No 20 (Substitute) ~~entitled an act to prevent~~ setting prairies on fire was read a first time –
The following message was received from the Senate by the hands of their Secretary;
Mr. Speaker – I am instructed to inform your Honorable body that the Senate has passed House Bill No. 37, entitled An Act to repeal an Act amendatory of the Common School laws of the County of Arkansas.
And the Senate has refused to assent to House Bill No. 31 entitled An act to prohibit the issuing of Treasury Warrants or war Bonds, bearing interest

said two House Bills are herewith returned.

The Senate has adopted the Joint resolution for the appointment of a committee of both Houses to enquire into the propriety of making appropriations to aid in the manufacture of Salt, cotton cards, and iron in which the concurrence of your honorable body is asked. — The committee under said resolution of the Senate consists of Messrs. Halliburton, Timberlake & Embree.

The Senate has passed the following Senate Bills viz. No. 5. to be entitled an act to amend chapter 29 of the Digest in relation to Change Tickets No. 17. to be entitled an act to repeal the proceedings under chapter 170 of the Digest. No. 22. to be entitled an act to amend chapter 60 of the Digest under costs. No. 24 to be entitled an act for the relief of needy families of soldiers of this State. No. 27. to be entitled an act for the benefit of the Minor and heirs of Thomas J. Watts late of Columbia county deceased — And said five Senate Bills are herewith transmitted for the assent of your honorable body which is respectfully asked

L D Kimbrell Sec. Senate

On motion of Mr. Gunnell (the rules were suspended) House Bill No. 20 was read a second time. & on motion of Mr. Gunnell the rules were further suspended and the Bill read a third time and passed. The title was then adopted as part of the same.

Mr. Carnall presented the following report of Mr. Huralson Chm. of Com. on State lands.

Mr. Speaker, — The committee on State lands to whom was referred certain resolution contining in office the Several land Agents and Registers and Receivers at the Several land Offices in this State have had the same under consideration and a majority of said committee have instructed me to report the same back to the House and recommend their rejection.

The committee have also instructed me to prepare and present the following bill, which they think will meet all the exigencies of the case.

Joseph S. Huralson Chm. Com. on State lands

Which report was adopted — And House Bill No.

Entitled An act to suspend the several land offices of this State
Yrs was read a first time. On motion of Mr. Jones
of Lawrence the rules were suspended & the Bill
read a second time.—

Mr. Scott moved to fill the blank in the bill
with the words two Dollars. per day.

Mr. Jones of Lawrence moved to fill the blank with the
words Four Dollars.

Mr. Carnell moved to fill the blank with
the words Five Dollars.

The question was then taken on Mr. Carnells
motion — which was lost.

The question was then taken on Mr. Jones of
Lawrence motion. which was carried. so
the blank in the Bill was filled with the
words Four Dollars.

The following message was received from the Senate
by the hands of their secretary

Mr. Speaker — I am instructed to inform
your honorable body that the Senate has adopted
a resolution proposing an adjournment sine
die on Monday the first day of December prox.

Said resolution is herewith transmitted for the
concurrence of your honorable body, which
is respectfully asked J. D. Lumbell Sec Senate

On motion of Mr. Oliver the rules were further
suspended and House Bill No. 42. was read a
third time and passed. The title was then adopted as part
of the same.

Mr. Lowry presented the following report.

Mr. Speaker — The Judiciary Committee to whom was
referred a resolution instructing said committee to
take under advisement that provision of the new
Constitution in relation to a separate code for
the trial of slaves have instructed me to report that
they approve said resolution and have appointed
a sub committee to prepare a Bill under said
provision to be reported to this House,

Lowry Chm Jud. Com.

Which report on motion of Mr. Robins was adopted.

Mr. Collins of Doniphan presented the following
report. — Mr. Speaker. The Committee on Claims
to whom was referred a resolution having for its
object to require the Military Board to audit and
pay Dr. A. A. Baker for services rendered to soldiers

have had the same under consideration and beg leave to report that under the peculiar circumstances now surrounding the country suggests the propriety of postponing the auditing and paying of said sum of $24.00 Collins of Dover Ck

On motion of Mr. Tucker the report was adopted.

Mr. Mallory appeared and took his seat at ½ past 9 o'clock

On motion of Mr. Olcott the regular order of business was suspended to take up Senate resolution proposing to adjourn sine die on Monday Dec. 18th

Mr. Olcott moved that the House concur in Senate resolution — which motion was carried.

On motion of Mr. Carnall the regular order of business was further suspended for the introduction of bills

Mr. Carnall introduced House bill No. 43. entitled An act to confirm the title to certain lands which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Carnall the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time

On motion of Mr. Pettus the bill with accompanying papers were referred to the Committee on State Lands

Mr. Carnall introduced House Bill No. 44, entitled An Act to confirm title to certain lands. Which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Gould the rules were suspended and the Bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Gould the rules were further suspended and the Bill with accompanying papers were referred to the Committee on State Lands

Mr. Carnall introduced House Bill No. 45, entitled An Act Amendatory of the Act incorporating the Wallace Institute of Crawford County — which was read a first time.

Mr. Speaker called Mr. Scott to the chair.

On motion of Mr. Gould the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Gould the rules were further suspended & the bill read a third time & passed. The title was then adopted as a part of the same.

Mr. Furr introduced House Bill No. 46, entitled An Act for the relief of Soldiers in the Confederate service from the State of Arkansas for three years or the war — which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Furr the rules were suspended

and the bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Oliver the Bill was then referred to the Committee on State Lands.

Mr. Harding introduced House Bill No. 47 entitled An act to amend the revenue laws. Which was read a first time

On motion of Mr. Williams of Jefferson the bill was read a second time

On motion of Mr Gould the bill was then referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Garrett introduced House Bill No 48. entitled An act to amend the administration laws of this State Which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Lewis of Lawrence the rules were suspended & the bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Berry the Bill was then referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Williams of Jefferson introduced House Bill No. 49 Entitled an act to change the names of certain persons Which was read a first time

On motion of Mr. Williams of Jefferson the rules were suspended & the Bill read a second time.

Mr. Goodwin of Union moved to amend by adding the following additional section, "Sec. 4. That the name of Wm Thrailkill of Union County Ark. be and the same is hereby changed from Wm Thrailkill to that of Wm Brown and that he be constituted a legal heir of Thos. E. Brown and of Biddie Brown of said County & Union Ark." Which amendment was adopted & then read a second time

Mr. Lewis of Lawrence moved that the rules be suspended & that the bill as amended be read a third time — Mr. Neal objected — the vote was then taken & upon a count 52 members voted in the affirmative which being 2/3 of the House the rules were suspended — the bill read a third time and passed. The title was then adopted as [illegible] of the same

Mr Gould presented the petition of Elijah Kelley and others of Pike County, accompanied with a bill, which on motion of Mr Gould was referred to the Committee on petitions & memorials without reading —

Mr Berry introduced House bill No 50 — entitled an act for the relief of Pensioners in the State of Arkansas which was read a first time —

On motion of Mr Oliver the regular order of business

was suspended and Senate bill No 24 - entitled an act for the relief of needy families of Soldiers in this State
On motion of Mr Gould the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time.
Mr Lenning moved to amend by inserting after the word Soldiers, the words non commissioned officers, On motion of Mr Moseley the amendment was laid on the table -
Mr Moseley moved that 100 copies of the bill be printed for the use of the House and that the bill be made the special order for Thursday next 10 o'clock A.M., which motion was carried
Mr Lowry introduced House bill No 51 entitled - an act to relieve lower tax payers in Chicot ~~& Desha~~ Counties - which was read a first time.
On motion of Mr Gould the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time
Mr Harding moved to amend by adding Desha county to the provisions of the bill. which was adopted -
On motion of Mr Collins of Drew the rules were suspended and the bill ~~as~~ amended was read a third time & passed, The title was then adopted as part of the same -
Mr Taylor introduced House bill No 52 entitled an act to repeal the act creating the office of Assessor for the County of Madison
Which was read a first time
On motion of Mr Gould the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time
On motion of Mr Connell the rules were further suspended and the bill read a third time and passed - The title was then adopted as part of the same,
Mr Lowry introduced House bill No 53 Entitled, an act to amend so far as relates to Chicot County, an act to authorize the County Court of Jefferson Lebanon, Chicot, Hempstead and Randolph Counties to levy a road tax, approved January 15 - 1857 - which was read a first time
On motion of Mr Williams of Jefferson the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time -

On motion of Mr Gould the rules were further suspended and the bill read a third time and passed, The title was then adopted as part of the same

Mr Harding introduced House bill No 54 Entitled - "an act to suspend the Collection of the State tax for the year 1862" - which was read a first time

On motion of Mr Frazier the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time -

On motion of Mr Williams of Jefferson the bill was referred to the Committee on Ways & means

Mr Collins of Drew introduced House bill No 55 - Entitled - "An act to arrest from the Board of Directors and Stockholders of the Cairo & Fulton Rail Road Company, the grant of lands made by the Congress of the United States, & the State of Arkansas, for the purpose of constructing a rail road, from a point on the Mississippi, opposite the mouth of the Ohio river, via Little Rock, to the Texas boundary near Fulton Ark, and to convert the same to the use of the State & for other purposes" - which was read a first time

On motion of Mr Collins of Drew the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time - On motion of Mr Carnall 100 copies were ordered to be printed, and the bill made the special order for Friday next at 10 o'clock a.m.

Mr Carnall introduced House bill No 56 entitled "an act to pay the Secretary of State, Auditor & Treasurer each a specified salary - which was read a first time - On motion of Mr Gould the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time -

On motion of Mr Fuchs the bill was referred to Judiciary Committee -

The following message was received from the Senate by the hands of their Secretary

Mr Speaker - I am instructed to inform your Honorable Body that the Senate has reconsidered the rejection of House bill No 31, entitled "an act to prevent the issuing of Treasury warrants or war bonds bearing interest, and I am instructed to request that the House return said bill to the Senate for further action

John D. Kimbell Secy Senate

On motion of Mr. Innis of Sunrise the regular order of business was suspended & called up Senate

Bill No. 20. entitled An Act for the relief of Moses L. Hardin Sheriff Commissioner of Lawrence County. Which was read a first time.

On of Mr. Jones of Lawrence the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time

On Motion of Mr. Jones of Lawrence the rules were suspended & the bill read a third time & passed. The title was then adopted as a part of the same.

Mr. Barnes introduced House Bill No. 57. entitled An Act concerning common Schools in Prairie County. Which was read a first time.

Mr. Neal moved that the message from the Senate in regard to House Bill No. 31 be taken up & that the request be complied with & direct the clerk to return the bill to the Senate Which motion was carried.

Mr. Wynne presented the Report of Ajay Tyer Internal Improvement of Poinsett County Ark.

To the Honorable Legislature of the State of Arkansas to convene on the 1st Monday in November next:

The Internal Improvement Commissioner of Poinsette County presents this as his report of the amount and situation of said fund, the amount is about fifty thousand dollars, all in notes approved by the County court of said County, and on interest at ten per cent, no collections have been made since the war commenced, and all improvements suspended therefore your humble commissioner asketh your honorable body to receive this as his report of said fund. & he will be in duty bound &c

Ajay Tyer Int. Imp. Com.
Poinsett County Ark.

The Bill introduced by Mr. Barnes was then taken up & read a second & third times & passed. & title adopted as part of same.

Mr. Haynes introduced a House Bill ~~entitled An Act making the Treasurer of Arkansas County Internal Improvement Commissioner~~, which on his motion was referred without reading to the Committee on the Judiciary

Mr. Richardson introduced House Bill No. 58 entitled An Act making the Treasurer of Arkansas County Internal Improvement Commissioner, Which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Gould the Rules were suspended

and the Bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Richardson the rules were further suspended & the Bill read a third time & passed — the title was adopted as a part of the same.

Mr. Warner introduced House Bill No. 59, entitled An Act to amend the law concerning Administrators, Executors and Guardians. Which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Warner the rules were suspended & the Bill read a second time.

Mr. Olcott moved that the rules be further suspended & the Bill read a third time — upon which motion a division was called for, and 31 members voting in the affirmative and 18 voting in the negative — so the rules were suspended & the Bill passed. The title was then adopted as a part of the same.

Mr. Hurt introduced House Bill No. 60, entitled An Act to adopt Olive W. Lewis & Peter Lewis + make them the legal heirs of John M. Linsey of Montgomery Co. Which was read a 1st time.

On motion of Mr. Williamson the rules were suspended and the Bill read a second time.

Mr. Jones of Hot Springs moved to suspend the rules & read the Bill a third time, a division was called for and 42 members voted in the affirmative and 9 voted in negative — so the rules were suspended and the Bill passed. The title was then adopted as a part of the same.

Mr. Williams of Jefferson introduced (for Mr. English he being absent) House Bill No. 61, entitled an Act for the relief of the holders of pre-emption certificates to Swamp Land. Which was read a first time.

Mr. Williams of Jefferson moved that the rules be suspended & the bill read a second time — pending which

Mr. Warner moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed. Which motion was adopted.—

Mr. Harding moved that the House adjourn till tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock — Which motion was lost.

Mr. McCollum introduced House Bill No. 62 entitled an act to consolidate the Common School fund of Lafayette County & for other purposes. Which was read 1st time.

On motion of Mr. Jones of Lawrence the rules were suspended & the Bill read a second time. and

On motion of Mr. Jones of Lawrence the rules were further suspended & the Bill read a third time.

Mr. Haynes moved that the vote just taken on suspending the rules for the third reading of the Bill, be

reconsidered — which was carried

Then on motion of Mr. Haynes the Bill was re-ferred to the committee on Education

On motion of Mr. Pettus the regular order of business was suspended and Senate Bill No. 17 entitled "An act to provide for a Commission of Enquiry" was taken up read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Pettus the rules were suspended and the Bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Mallory the rules were suspended and the Bill read a third time & passed — the title was then adopted as a part of the same.

On motion the House adjourned until to morrow morning at 9 O'clock

John Harrel
Speaker —

Hall of House of Representatives
Little Rock, Ark. Nov 18th 1862

House met pursuant to adjournment —

Prayer by the Rev Mr McKenzie Chaplain —

The Roll was called and Messrs Fair, McCollum and Pennington were absent —

Mr Hammack asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr Fair — Mr Teague asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr McCollum — and Mr Fletcher asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr Pennington.

The Journal was then read and approved —

Mr Neal presented the following communication from Dr McDowell — Little Rock. Nov 15 - 1862

To the Gentlemen of the General Assembly of Arkansas,

I find that my duties will detain me from Little Rock, until Saturday Night next, when I will be pleased to address you on the past, present, and future of our Country — Yours Respectfully &c.

Jno W. McDowell

On motion of Mr Neal the Hall of the House of Representatives was tendered to Dr McDowell for the purpose of delivering an address on Next Saturday Night 22d instant —

Mr Tucker presented the following report —

Mr Speaker — The Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom was referred House bill No 29, have had the same under consideration and after duly considering its merits, have instructed

me to report it back to the House and recommend its rejection
Further Chm Com on Int Improvements
Mr Jones of Hot Spring asked and obtained leave to withdraw the bill –
Mr Wynne presented the following report –
Mr Speaker – The committee to whom was referred a petition for the relief of Christopher & Jane Thompson free persons of Color in Scott County with a bill accompanying, have had the same under consideration, and instructed me to report it back to the House and recommend the passage of the bill – Wynne Chm
On motion of Mr Jones of Lawrence the report was adopted And House bill No 63 Entitled, a bill for the relief of Christopher & Jane Thompson of Scott County – was read a first time
Mr Richardson moved that the rules be suspended and the bill read a second time – which being objected to, a vote was taken and 49 voting in the affirmative, which being two thirds, the rules were declared suspended, and the bill was read a second time –
On motion of Mr Williamson the rules were further suspended and the bill was read a third time and passed, the title was then adopted as part of the same –
Mr Wynne offered the following report –
Mr Speaker! The committee to whom was referred the petition of Elijah Kelley Guardian of Giles N. Kelley, with the bill accompanying have had the same under consideration, and instructed me to report it back to the House and recommend the passage of the bill – Wynne Chm
Which report on motion of Mr Gould was adopted And House bill No 64 – Entitled "an act for the relief of Giles N. Kelley, and to declare him of age and competent to receive his property – was read a first time – On motion of Mr Gould the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time –
On motion of Mr Gould the rules were further suspended and the bill read a third time and passed – The title was then adopted as part of the same
Mr Wynne presented the following report
Mr Speaker, the committee to whom was referred

the petition from Citizens of Drew County asking relief to John C. Bush of said County, for distinguished services rendered during the battle of Oak Hills, have had the same under consideration, and instructed me to report it back to the House, and recommend the adoption of the accompanying resolution -

Wm Cohen

Which report was on motion of Mr Haynes adopted and the following resolution was read a first time - Resolved, By the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas, that the thanks of this body, are hereby tendered to John C. Bush of Drew County, in consideration of distinguished military services rendered during the battle of Oak Hills Missouri -

On motion of Mr Scott the rules were suspended and the resolution read a second time -

On motion of Mr Collins of Drew the rules were further suspended and the resolution read a third time and adopted -

Mr Bradshaw presented the following report

Mr Speaker - The Committee to whom was referred House bill No 36 concerning the cultivation of cotton, have had the same under consideration and they refer the same back to the House, and recommend its passage, and rejecting the amendment - John Bradshaw Chm Com

On motion of Mr Hurt the report was adopted and House bill No 36 was read a third time and passed, The title was then adopted as part of the same -

Mr Lowry presented the following report

Mr. Speaker - The Judiciary Committee to whom was referred Senate bill No 8, entitled "an act to facilitate the collection of debts, against the estates of deceased persons, have had the same under advisement, and instructed me to report the same back, with an amendment which is herewith submitted, and to recommend its passage as amended - Lowry Chm

The report was, on motion adopted and the following amendment was then read a first time -

Sec 2 - Be it further enacted, that the owner of any claim or demand, against an estate

may present the same for allowance, at any time within six months after the ratification of peace between the United States and the Confederate States of America, provided that all claims and demands presented for allowance within twelve months after the grant of letters testamentary or of administration shall be allowed, and classed as now prescribed by law, and all other claims and demands presented for allowance, within six months after the ratification of peace, shall be placed in the 5th class of claims -

On motion of Mr Pettus the rules were suspended and the amendment read a second time -

On motion of Mr Pettus the rules were further suspended and the bill as amended was read a third time and passed. The title to the bill was then adopted as part of the same. -

The following message was received from the Senate by the hands of their Secretary -

Mr Speaker - I am instructed to inform your Honorable body, that the Senate has adopted a joint Resolution concerning the publication of the acts of the present General Assembly in the newspapers at Little Rock, which is herewith transmitted for the consideration of your honorable body which is respectfully asked -

The Senate has passed House bill No 15, to be entitled "An act to provide for the temporary holding of County Courts in certain cases, and for other purposes which is herewith returned

The Senate has passed Senate bill No 31, to be entitled an act supplementary to an act passed at the present session of the General Assembly Entitled an act to establish the County of Crosby, which is herewith transmitted for the assent of your honorable body which is respectfully asked

C. I. Kimbrell Secy of Senate

Mr. Gray presented the following report

Mr. Speaker, The Judiciary Committee to whom was referred House Bill No. 48. entitled an act to amend the Administration laws of this State. have had the same under advisement and have instructed me to report the same back and to recommend its rejection, because said Committee

have reported Senate Bill No. 8 back to this House and recommend its passage which comm the opposition of said Bill Long etc. Lud. Com.

Which was on motion of Mr. Jones of Pulaski adopted.

Mr Long presented the following report.

Mr Speaker The Judiciary Committee to whom was referred House Bill No. 65 Entitled an act to extend the limits and amend the Charter of the Town of Monticello have had the same under consideration and have instructed me to report the same back and recommend its passage. Long Chr Jud. Com.

On motion of Mr. Hayes the report was adopted & House Bill ~~No. 65~~ Entitled An act to extend the limits and amend the Charter of the Town of Monticello. ~~Which~~ was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Tucker the rules were suspended and the Bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Steel the rules were further suspended & the Bill read a third time & passed.

The following communication was received from His Ex. Gov. Flananigan.

State Rock Ark Executive Office
Nov. 17th 1852

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the State of Ark

In compliance with the resolution of the House of Representatives asking some dry information in relation to the 5 per ct. Fund granted this State under the act of Congress dated 23 June AD 1836 I have to state that the whole amount received by this State before the 1st day of January AD 1841. was $61,065,18,- and was placed in the Bank of the State of Arkansas as a part of its capital from the 1st day of January 1841 to the 31st Day of December 1859 said fund amounted to the sum of $145,067,56 Of the last sum $1800 was applied by the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States in the 20th day of May 1849 to the payment of interest on Bonds of the State of Arkansas issued to the State Bank and held by the United States Government in trust for the Chickasaw Indians.- The balance of $143,267,56 was applied by the same Officer at sundry times to the payment of interest on state Bonds issued to the Real Estate Bank and held by the United States

in trust for the Smithsonian Institute. There has been no adjustment of this Fund which has accrued since the 31st day of Dec. 1859 so far as I have been able to find — It will be perceived that no part of this fund is in the Treasury — The Legislature of this State however in consideration that this fund has went to other States, has appropriated as follows under an act approved January 21st 1859 entitled an act to authorize the Governor to subscribe stock to certain Rail Roads $80.000 — And under the act entitled an act to encourage Internal Improvement approved January 3d 1861, $100.000

Jno. W. Scott. J. J. Hanaspin

On motion of Mr. Taylor the subject matter of the Governors Message in reference to the Smith fund was referred to a select committee of three with instructions to report by Bill or otherwise.

Mr. Speaker appointed as such committee Messrs. Taylor, Moseley & Pettus.

Mr. Gray presented the following report Mr. Speaker — The Judiciary to whom was referred House Bill No. 5 entitled an act to pay the Secretary of State, Auditor & Treasurer such a specified salary, have had the same under advisement and have instructed me to report the same back and to recommend that the blank in 1st sentence of Sec. 1st in relation to salary of Secretary of State be filled with $1500, and blank in 2d sentence 1st sec. in relation to Treasurers salary be filled with the sum of $2000, and that the blank in last clause Sec. 1st in relation to Auditors salary be filled with the sum of $2000 and to recommend its passage. Gray Chm.

Jud. Com.

Mr. Perkins moved to reject the report upon which

Mr. Carnell called for the ayes & noes which call being sustained the roll was called

Those members voting in the affirmative were Messrs. Ives of Lawrence, Mallory, Phillips, Perkins, Scott, Little & Wynn — 7 —

Those members who voted in the negative were Messrs. Baker, Barnes, Berry, Bradley, Byrd,

Carnall, Cheatham, Cochran, Collins of Bradley
Collins of Drew, Connelly, Fenlon, Fletcher Flurry
Gantt Gordon of Columbia, Gordon of Union
Gould Hammack, Harding Harris Harrison
Haynes Hoit Horwell Hull Hurt Jenkins
Jones of Hot Springs Lafferty Leming Lowry, Mathis
McFadden, Moseley Murphy, Naylor, Neal
Olen, Pettigrew Pettus Pace Powell Richardson
Robins Russel Stodard Teague Tucker Walker
Wilson Wilcox Williams of Lafayette, Williams
of Union, Williamson Wilson Wyrough & Mr. Speaker
58 ayes. So the motion to reject was lost.

On motion of Mr. Furr the report was then adopted.

Mr. Fletcher moved to amend by inserting the words $2500 as salary for Auditor and Treasurer.

On motion Mr. Carnall the amendment was laid on the table

Mr. Scott offered the following amendment Provided — That the Auditor & Treasurer shall not be required to perform any duty outside of the original duties as such officers.

Which on motion of Mr. Horwell was laid on the table.

Mr. Jones of Lawrence moved to amend by allowing the Secretary of State $2000. Which

On motion of Mr. Horwell was laid on the table

Mr. Harding moved to suspend the rules for a third reading of the bill. Which was objected to & upon a vote being taken 54 members voted in the affirmative which being 2/3 of the members present the rules were declared to be suspended & the Bill was read a third time & passed. The title was then adopted as a part of the same

Mr. Lowry offered the following resolution

Resolved By the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas. That our Senators & Representatives in Congress be instructed to enquire into the propriety of securing the completion of the Mail Route from Camden Ark. to Gaines Landing on the Miss. River with the Eastern mail at Bolivar Miss. and also with the mail from Vicksburg Miss. at Luna Landing Chicot Co. Ark. or Columbia in said County

which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Cassell the rules were suspended & the resolution read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Fissel the rules were further suspended & the resolution read a third time & adopted.

The House then went into the Committee of the Whole, Mr. Pettigrew in the chair, for the consideration of Senate Bill No. 9, entitled An Act to amend the revenue laws, and after some time spent in the consideration of the same the Committee arose and made the following report through their Chairman

Mr. Speaker - The Committee of the Whole House to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 9, have had the same under consideration and have instructed me to report the same back to the House with sundry amendments & recommend the passage of the Bill as amended - Pettigrew, Ch.

Which on motion was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Scott the rules were suspended & the bill as amended read a third time & passed. The title was then adopted as a part of the same.

Mr. Jordan of Union asked & obtained leave of absence for the members from Union & Lafayette Counties to confer with Gen. Holmes by his request.

Mr. Wynn. Call up Senate Bill No. 31 entitled An Act supplementary to an Act passed at the present session of the General Assembly entitled An Act to establish the County of Cross - Which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Pettus the rules were suspended and the Bill read a second time. & on his motion the rules were further suspended & the Bill read a third time & passed. The title was adopted as part of same.

Mr. Pettigrew presented the following report Mr. Speaker. The Committee on Enrollments have examined House Bills No. 7, 10, 11, 17, 22, 27, 28, & 37 & have instructed me to report the same correctly enrolled. Pettigrew Ch. Com. on Enrollments

Mr. Pettigrew presented the following report Mr. Speaker. The Committee on Enrollments did on the 15th day of Nov. 1862 deliver to the Governor House Bill No. 40 for his approval & have instructed me to report the same to this House. - Pettigrew Ch. Com. Enrol.

Mr. Byrd introduced House Bill No. 66, entitled "An Act to facilitate the opening of salt mines or licks." which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Gould the rules were suspended the Bill read a 2d time.

On motion of Mr. Carnahan the bill was referred to the committee on Salt.

The following message was received from the Senate.

Mr. Speaker — I am instructed to inform your Hon. Body that the Senate has concurred in House joint resolution relative to the Mail route from Camden via Gaines Landing to Bolivar Ferry & the mail from Vicksburg &c which herewith returned. Geo. Kimball Sec. Sen.

On motion of Mr. Collins of Drew, the foregoing Senate joint resolution up & concurred in.

Resolved — That ~~the~~ a joint committee of both Houses of the General Assembly be appointed to enquire into the propriety of making appropriations to aid in the manufacture of Salt, Cotton Cards & Iron.

Mr. Speaker appointed as the committee on the part of the House Messrs. Collins of Drew, Sissel, Martin, Wyeneth & Lowe of Lawrence.

On motion of Mr. Gould the House adjourned until to morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

John Harrell
Speaker

Hall of the House of Representatives
Little Rock Ark. Nov. 19th 1842

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by Mr. Speaker.

The roll was called &

The Journal was read and approved.

Mr. Lowry asked & obtained leave to present the following resolution

Resolved — That after the reports of the Standing Committees the House take up the Senate Calendar, and that it continue the order of business until disposed of.

Which on motion of Mr. Fair was adopted.

Mr. Carnall presented the report of Mr. Scott chairman of Committee on State lands, — to wit:

Mr. Speaker The Committee on State Lands to whom was referred House Bill No 43, & House Bill No 44 entitled respectively, An act to confirm title to certain lands, have had the same under consideration and after a free examination of all the papers in the premises, are unanimously of the opinion that said Bill should pass, and have instructed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend their passage without amendment.

Scott Ch^m pr^t tem. Com on State Lands

Which report on motion of Mr. Neal was received.

On motion of Mr. Scott ~~House Bill~~ Bill No. 43 was read a third time & passed the title was adopted as part of Bill

& on motion of Mr. Scott House Bill No. 44 was read a third time & passed. The title was adopted as part of same

Mr. Carnall presented the following report

Mr. Speaker The Committee of Ways & Means to whom was referred House Bill No. 33 instructed me to report it back & recommend its passage.

Carnal Ch^m

Which report on motion of Mr. Berry was adopted & House Bill No. 33 was read for information

Mr. Harding moved to amend by striking out the words "six months" in the first line

On motion of Mr. Tucker the amendment was laid on the table

Mr. Scott moved to amend 1st section by saying "until put in force by future legislation"

Mr. Tucker moved to lay the amendment on the table & a division being called for 25 members voted in the affirmative and 30 voted in the negative so the ~~motion to lay on~~ the table was lost — &

On motion of Mr. Scott the amendment was adopted.

Mr. Berry moved, to amend by striking out the words "residents & non Residents" and insert "all persons that have volunteered into the Confederate States service"

Mr. Lenny moved to lay the amendment on the table which was carried.

Mr. Warner moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed —

Mr. Collins moved to lay the "motion" on the table — which motion Mr. Speaker declared to be out of order.

& On motion the bill was then read a third time and passed — the title was adopted as part of the same.

Mr. Jones of Lawrence, Chm of Committee on Penitentiary made the following report.

Mr. Speaker. The Joint Committee on the Penitentiary have instructed me to make the following report. — Your Committee have examined the improvements, which Mr. A. J. Ward the Keeper or Contractor, with the State under the law of last session, undertook to make consisting of the building of new cells, additional work shops, and find that the same have been completed in conformity with the contract, except a trifling amount of plastering and the grating of the cells which latter has not been completed in consequence of the impossibility of procuring iron suitable for the purpose.

It affords your committee pleasure to be able to report that the discipline of the institution is good, the convicts are well provided with suitable clothing & bedding, their diet with the exception hereafter stated good and supplied in sufficient quantities.

The health of the convicts is not as good as your committee would wish, but they are satisfied that it is not attributable to any fault or neglect of the Keeper or his subordinates or to the want of proper medical attention but solely to the causes hereafter mentioned.

One cause of sickness is the want of proper ventilation of the cells. This cause cannot now in consequence of the difficulty of procuring iron pipes for the purpose be remedied, but your committee would suggest the propriety of such legislation as will authorize the Governor to cause the necessary work to be done, and the highly desirable object attained if the material can be procured.

Another cause is the want of a sufficient supply of vegetable food and acids. — That this cause exists is not the fault of Mr. Ward or his subordinates, but solely attributable to the fact that in consequence of circumstances beyond his control, your committee are satisfied that neither pains or expense have been spared to obtain the needful articles.

The third but not least cause of sickness is the crowding into the institution a large number of persons

not convicts, but prisoners of war, and citizens arrested and imprisoned by order of the military authorities of the Confederate States.

Besides detracting from the comfort of the convicts and producing disease among them, there is a principle involved that should not be overlooked. The Penitentiary was erected at vast expense, and continued by the State, not for the purpose of punishing men charged with crimes merely, or of receiving prisoners of war, - though she might or would willingly permit its use for the latter purpose if she cared with proper regard for the health and comfort of the unfortunate beings confined by authority of her own laws, she has and may with propriety, for the present at least permit the reception and imprisonment of persons convicted by the Judicial tribunals of the Confederate States of offenses against the laws thereof but your committee are of opinion, that it never was the intention of the legislature, that her citizens should be confined and put to hard labor, subjected to the prison discipline and disgraced by being made the companions of felons until they were condemned and sentenced, not by military tribunals, but by the Judicial tribunals. If your committee are wrong in these conclusions the framers of our Constitution stand convicted of doing an unmeaning, senseless act, When they engrafted on the Bill of Rights, the (in your committee's opinion) capital provisions "that no free white man or Indian shall be put to answer to any criminal charge punishable with death or imprisonment in Jail or Penitentiary but by presentment, indictment or impeachment" that the right of trial by Jury shall remain inviolate to free white men & Indians, & that no free white man or Indian shall be taken or imprisoned or disseized of his freehold liberties or privileges or outlawed or exiled or in any manner destroyed, or deprived of his life, liberty or property, but by the judgment of his peers and the law of the land.

To remove the evil and prevent its occurrence your committee recommend the adoption of the resolution herewith submitted.

In conclusion your committee beg leave to testify to the faithful and efficient manner in which Mr. Ward the Keeper and his assistants, Dr. Kirkwood the Physician,

and the Rev. Mr. McKenzie the Chaplain of the Penitentiary have discharged their respective duties.

Thos R. Ives Chm House Committee
Wm Sherman Chm Senate "

On motion of Mr. Neal the report was adopted & the following resolution recommended by the committee was read a first time.

Resolved. by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that the keeper of the Penitentiary should not receive into or keep in said institution any person except such as are duly convicted of crimes, and sentenced to imprisonment as punishment for such, by the Judicial tribunals of this State, or of the Confederate States, except slaves, and it is hereby made his duty to require the production of a duly certified copy of a judgment of the court in which the conviction was had before receiving the convict.

On motion of Mr. Scott the rules were suspended & the resolution read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Furr the rules were further suspended & the resolution read a third time & passed.

Mr Carroll presented the following report -

Mr Speaker, The Committee on ways & means to whom was referred House bill No 35 entitled "an act to amend the revenue laws of this State, have instructed me to report, that under the present condition of the Country they are of opinion that the revenue laws be not disturbed and recommend that the bill be rejected - Carroll Chm

Mr Neal moved to reject the report -

The following message was received from the Senate by the hands of their Secretary -

Mr Speaker - I am instructed to inform your Honorable body, that the Senate has assented to the following House bills to wit - No 4, to be entitled "an act to drain Swamp land & crop - No 31, To be entitled an act to prohibit the issuancing of Treasury warrants or warrant bonds bearing interest - No 49, To be entitled, "An act to change the names of certain persons No 51 - To be entitled, "an act to relieve home tax payers in Chicot and Desha Counties - No 52, To be entitled "an act to repeal the act creating the office of assessor for the County of Madison - No 53, To be entitled "an act to amend so far as relates to Chicot County "an act to authorize the County Court of Jefferson, Lafayette

Cheot, Hempstead and Randolph Counties to levy a road tax approved January 5th 1857, - No 57, to be entitled an act concerning common Schools in Prairie County - No 58, to be entitled "An act making the County Treasurer of Arkansas County Internal Improvement Commissioner - No 60 - to be entitled "An act to adopt Olivia M. Ross and Peter Ross the legal heirs of John M. Linsey of Montgomery County -

The Senate has rejected House bill No 386 be entitled an act to repeal an act entitled an act to compel the residence of some white person on plantations where there are slaves - All of which are herewith returned -

The Senate has concurred in House joint resolution requiring the State Treasurer to redeem dilapidated coupons of war bonds and also in House joint resolution concerning the establishment of manufactories of clothing for soldiers in the Trans Mississippi District - both of which are herewith returned -

The Senate has amended and passed the following House bills - No 20 ~~to~~ an act to prevent setting Prairie on fire - No 24 - the act to amend an act entitled an act to aid the Arkansas Institute for the blind, which was incorporated on the 4th February 1859 - approved January 19th 1861 - said two House bills are herewith returned with the amendments attached for the consideration of your Honorable body -

H.B. no 20
H.B. no 24

L. D. Kimbell Secy of Senate

Mr. Neal called for the ayes & noes on the reception of the report, which call being sustained the Nays & Ayes were called.

There members voting in the affirmative were. Messrs. Baker, Berry, Bradshaw, Byrd, Cochran Collins of Bradley, Collins of Drew, Connelly, Fletcher Fuss, Gantt, Gordon of Columbia, Gordon of Union Hammack, Harrison, Haynes, Hoff, Hull, Hunt Jenkins, Jones of Hot Spring, Jones of Lawrence, Lafferty Leming, Lowry, Moseley, Murphy, Naylor, Neal, Olivar Pettigrew, Porter, Powell, Perkins, Richardson, Robins Scott, Stoddard, Teague, Turner, Walthrow, Wilson Williams of Union, Williamson, Wyncoop & Mr. Speaker 46 votes.

Those members who voted in the negative were

Messrs. Barnes Carnall Cheatham Fenton Fowler Harding Harris Howell Mallory Martin McFadden Pettus Phillips Sissel Tucker Tuttle Williams of Lafayette Wilson & Wynn 19 votes.

So the Motion was rejected.

Mr. Scott offered the following ~~the following~~ resolution

Resolved. That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to draw up a Bill to make the revenue laws, so far as they relate to assessing property conform to the Constitution and provide a general law for assessing property.

On motion of Mr. Warner the resolution was laid on the table.

H.B. No 35 passed

On motion of Mr. Jones of Lawrence House Bill No. 35 was then read a third time & passed. The title was then adopted as part of same.

Mr. Carnall presented the following report

H.B. No 54

Mr. Speaker — The Committee on Ways & Means to whom was referred House Bill No. 54 entitled An act to suspend the collection of the State tax for the year 1862 have had the same under consideration and have instructed me to report that in the opinion of said committee the object to be obtained by said Bill will be accomplished by the passage of House Bill No. 33, the passage of which has been recommended by this committee & recommend that this Bill No 54 lie on the table until action is had on House Bill No. 33.

Carnall Chm.

Which report on motion of Mr. Tucker was adopted.

H.B. No 46 Rejected

Mr. Carnall presented the following report.

Mr. Speaker — The Committee on State lands to whom was referred House Bill No 46, entitled a Bill to be entitled an act for the relief of soldiers have had the same under consideration and instructed me to report the Bill back to the House & recommend its rejection for the reason that all the public lands of this State are already pledged for the redemption of the War debt by act of the Convention

Carnall Chm. pro tem.

which report was on motion adopted.

Mr Wynn presented the following report —

Resolution Board of Claims

Mr Speaker — The Committee to whom was referred a resolution instructing our Senators & Representatives in Congress to use their

influence in favor of establishing a board of claims in the Plum Mississippi district, have had the same under consideration & instructed me to report it back to the House and recommend its adoption —

Myron Clum —

Which on motion of Mr Bradshaw was adopted —

The Resolution was then read a third time and adopted —

Mr Lowry presented the following report

H.B. No 4) Mr Speaker — The Judiciary Committee to whom was referred House bill (No 4) "entitled an act to amend the revenue laws" have had the same under advisement and have instructed me to report back the same back and to recommend the passage of a substitute bill which is herewith submitted —

Lowry Chairman Jad Cow

H.B. No. 4) Substitute) which was on motion adopted & substitute House Bill (No 4) was read a 1st time — On motion of Mr Harding the rules were suspended and the bill read a 2nd time — On motion of Mr Williamson the rules were further suspended the Bill read a third time and passed — The title was then adopted as part of the same —

Mr Neal presented the following report

Mr Speaker — Your Committee to whom was referred the petition of certain free negroes of Union County together with the accompanying bill have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report back to the House, and recommend the passage of the bill

Neal Chm of Com —

H.B. No 66 introduced) which was on motion received — A House bill entitled an act to enable certain free negroes & mulattoes to pay their debts (No 66) was read a first time — On motion of Mr Neal the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time — On motion of Mr Furr the rules were further suspended and the bill read a 3d time & passed — Title was then adopted as part of the same —

Mr Neal presented the following report —

S.B. No 3 Mr Speaker — Your Committee to whom was referred "Substitute Senate bill No 3" have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report back to the House with a substitute, and recommend the passage of the substitute — respectfully submitted

Neal Chm Special Com

Mr Williams moved to adopt the report, which was, both

Mr. Scott moved to amend by striking out all after the enacting clause and insert the ~~substitute~~ Bill as an amendment & upon the adoption of the amendment Mr. Scott call for the ayes & noes which call being sustained the roll was called

Those members voting in the affirmative were Messrs. Baker, Barnes, Bradshaw, Byrd, Fenton Furr Goodwin of Columbia, Hall Hale Jones of Hot Spring Jones of Lawrence, Lafferty Leming Martin Murphy Naylor Pettigrew Pettus Phillips Porter Powell Pustins, Scott Stoddard Tuttle Warner Wilcox Williams of Jefferson Williams of Union Williamson Wynn & Mr. Speaker — 31 votes

The members who voted in the negative were Messrs. Berry, Carroll Cheatham Cochran Collins of Bradley Collins of Drew Connelly Fletcher Jeffrey Goodwin of Union Jones Hammack Harding Harris Harrison Haynes Howell Hunt Jenkins Lowry Malloy McFadden Moseley Olin Richardson Robins Sissel League Tucker Wilson Williams of Union Wilson & Wyatt. — 33 votes — so the amendment was lost

Mr. Scott moved to amend by inserting "and arms purchased for the use of the Confederate States volunteers & purchased by Captains & others, & for arms purchased for Partizan Ranger companies under orders of Gen. Hindman

Mr. Wilcox moved to lay the amendment on the table — &

Mr Scott called for the Ayes & noes which called being sustained the roll was called

Those members voting in the affirmative were Messrs. Baker Berry Carroll Cheatham Collins of Drew Connelly Fenton Fletcher Jeffrey Goodwin of Union Jones Harding Harris Harrison Haynes Howell Hale Hunt Lafferty Lowry Malloy Moseley Olin Phillips Porter Powell Richardson Robins Sissel Tucker Tuttle Warner Wilson Wyatt & Mr. Speaker, 28 votes.

Those members voting in the negative were: Messrs Barnes Bradshaw Byrd Cochran Collins of Bradley Furr Goodwin of Columbia, Hammack Hale, Jenkins Jones of Hot Spring Jones of Lawrence, Leming Martin McFadden, Murphy Naylor Pettigrew Pettus Pustins Scott Stoddard Leagu Wilcox Williams of Jefferson Williams of Union Williamson & Wynn — 28 votes.

to the amendment was laid on the table
On motion of Mr. Tucker the bill was then rejected.

Governor's Communication

The following communication was received from His Ex. the Governor,

Executive Office
Little Rock Nov. 19th 1842

Petition of Citizens of Sebastian & Crawford Counties & Genl Hindman Endorsement in regard to Scarcity of Corn

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives

The accompanying petition has been received by me for transmission to the General Assembly

Yrs. &c. &c. H. Flanagin

~~Which~~ petition together with the endorsement by Gen. Hindman was read & upon motion of Mr. Neal the following resolution was adopted

Resolved the Senate concurring that the the petition of sundry citizens of Sebastian & Crawford Counties with the endorsement of General Hindman & the correspondence of His Ex. the Governor be referred to a joint committee of the two Houses to take such action thereon as they may think just & right

The Speaker appointed as such committee on the part of the House Messrs. Neal, Oliver Berry Furr & Pettus.

Sissel Resolution

Mr. Sissel offered the following resolution

Resolved the Senate concurring that the two Houses of this General Assembly go into the election of state printer on Thursday 22nd inst at 2 o'clock P.M. of said day

Which at motion of Mr. Williams of Jefferson was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Neal the House took a recess till ½ past 2 o'clock pm.

2½ o'clock P.M. Nov. 18th 1842

The Speaker called the House to order

H.B. No 39

On motion of Mr. Murphy House Bill No 39 was then taken up

The Speaker then announced that the question before the House was on Mr. Perkins motion to suspend the rules & on which motion the previous question was called.

Mr. Perkins withdrew the call for the previous

Question

H.B. No. 39
Bury's Substitute

Mr Bury presented a substitute for House bill No 39 - Entitled, An act authorizing the distillation of grain into Spirituous liquors - which was read a first time -

On motion of Mr Pettus it was adopted -

On motion of Mr Pinkus the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time -

Mr Haynes moved to amend the bill by substituting the following sections for sections one and two of the bill -

Section 1st Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that from and after the passage of this act, it shall not be lawful for any person to introduce, import, or bring into this State, for sale or traffic, any spirituous liquors whatever -

Sec 2nd Be it further enacted, that should any person violate the provisions of the first section of this act he or they so offending shall forfeit their entire lot or cargo of liquors, and it is hereby made the duty of the Sheriff, or any Constable of the County in which said liquors are introduced to seize the same and report the fact to the nearest Justice of the peace, who upon sufficient proof being made before him, that such liquors were introduced in violation of this act, shall order the officer having it in charge to immediately destroy the same. -

Mr Martin moved to lay the amendment on the table - Upon which a division was called for, and upon a count 24 members voted in the affirmative and 32 in the negative, so the amendment was not laid on the table -

Mr Harding moved to refer the bill and amendment to the Committee on the Judiciary - which was lost -

On motion of Mr Williamson the amendment was then adopted -

Mr Neal offered the following amendment
Amend Section 5 by adding, Provided, that nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to affect or impair the rights of any Corporation in this State, now having exclusive right under existing laws to regulate the retail and sale of spirituous liquors within its incorporate limits -

Which on motion of Mr Williams of Jefferson was adopted -

On motion of Mr Perkins the rules were then suspended and the bill as amended was read a third time

On the Question of the passage of the bill Mr Furr called for the ayes and noes, which call was sustained and the roll called – Those members who voted for the passage of the bill were

Messrs, Baker, Berry, Cheatham, Cochran, Collins of Bradley, Collins of Drew, Connelly, Fenton, Fletcher, Gantt Goodwin of Columbia, Goodwin of Union, Hammack, Harris, Haynes, Howell, Hurt, Jones of Hot Spring, Jones of Lawrence, Laffuly, Lowry, Martin, McFadden, Moseley Murphy, Pettigrew, Pettus, Phillips, Porter, Powell, Pumpkin Richardson, Robins, Sisel, Stadard, Teague, Walker & Wilcoxen, – 38 Ayes –

Those who voted in the negative were –

Messrs, Barnes, Bradshaw, Byrd, Cannall, Furr, Gould Harding, Harrison, Holt, Jenkins, Lewing, Mallory Naylor, Neal, Oliver, Scott, Trieber, Tuttle, Welborn Williams of Jefferson, Williams of Union, Williamson Wilson, Wycough, Wynne & Mr Speaker – 26 Noes

So the Bill as amended passed, The title was then adopted as part of the same

Senate business was then taken up –

S.B. no 14 Mr Fletcher asked leave to call up Senate bill no 14 which was granted, and Senate bill No 14 – Entitled, "An act to authorize Edward B. Blanks to erect and keep a toll bridge across Mammelle Creek" was read a first time – On motion of Mr Fletcher the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time – On motion of Mr Hurt the rules were further suspended and the bill read a third time and passed, The title was then adopted as part of the same –

S.B. no 27 Mr Gantt asked leave to ~~call up Senate bill No 27~~ ~~On motion of~~ Mr Lowry the bills were taken up in the order of their number –

S.B. no. 5 Senate Bill no 5 – Entitled an act to amend Chapter 29 of the Digest in relation to Change tickets – was read a first time – On motion of Mr Cannall the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time – On motion of Mr Cannall the bill was then referred to the Judiciary Committee

H.B. no 6 Senate amendments to House bill No 6, was read a first time –

Mr Scott offered the following amendment to the Senate amendments – Amend by striking out of the

Senate amendment the words "Second Section, and inserting", and let the Senate amendment come in as an additional section - which on motion was adopted
On motion of Mr Scott the Senate amendment as amended was then concurred in -

S.B. No. 10 Senate Bill No 10, Entitled, "An act to amend Chapter 17 of the Digest of the Statutes of Arkansas" was taken up and read a first time - On motion of Mr Scott the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time - On motion of Mr Scott the bill was then referred to the Judiciary Committee,

S.B. No 10½ Senate Bill No 10½, Entitled, "An act for the benefit of the widow and Children of Milton Utley of Columbia County" - was read a first time, On motion the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time, and on motion the rules were further suspended and the bill read a third time and passed the title was then adopted as part of the same -

S.B. No 11 Senate Bill No 11 - Entitled "An act concerning the future issuance of War bonds & Treasury warrants was taken up, and on motion of Mr Scott was postponed for the present -

S.B. No 12 Senate Bill No 12, entitled "An act to amend Chapter 147 of the Digest concerning County revenue was read a first time, On motion the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time, On motion of Mr Connell the Bill was then referred to the Committee of the Judiciary -

S.B. No 13 Senate Bill No 13 - Entitled "An act concerning the "revenue of the Counties" was read a first time On motion of Mr Lisenbee the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time -
Mr Scott offered the following amendment as amend by inserting before the word "Scrip" the word "County" which was adopted - On motion of Mr Gould the rules were suspended and the bill read a third time as amended & passed The title was then adopted as part of the same

H.B. No 67 introduced Mr Neal introduced House bill No 67 entitled "An act to confer jurisdiction on justices of the peace in actions which was read a first time, On motion of Mr Neal the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time - Mr Scott presented an amendment which without reading was on motion of Mr Connell

[illegible] and for other purposes

with the bill referred to the Committee on the Judiciary –

H.B. No 68 introduced

Mr Haynes introduced House bill no 68 Entitled "A Bill to amend the Patrol Laws" which was read a first time – On motion of Mr Hart the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time –

Mr Haynes moved that the rules be further suspended and the bill read a third time, which was objected to – On motion of Mr Connell the bill was then referred to the Committee on the Judiciary –

On motion of Mr Holt the House then adjourned to to morrow morning at 9 o'clock

John Eharrell C.
Speaker

Hall of the House of Representatives
Little Rock, Arkansas, Nov 20-1862

House met pursuant to adjournment –
Prayer by the Revd Mr McKenzie chaplain –
The roll was called and Mr Porter was absent –
The Journal was read and approved –
Mr Pettigrew presented the following report –
Mr Speaker – The Committee on Enrollments have examined House Joint Resolution and report the same correctly enrolled – Pettigrew Chm Com on Enrollments

Mr Pettigrew presented the follow report

H.B. No's 7, 10, 11, 17, 22, 27, 28 & 37

Mr Speaker – The Committee on Enrollments delivered on the 19th day of Nov 1862, House bills no 7, 10, 11, 17, 22, 27, 28 & 37 to the Governor for his approval, and report the same to this house – Pettigrew Chm Com on Enrollments

Mr Moseley presented the following Report –

Mr Speaker – The Committee on the part of the House to whom was referred that portion of the Governor's Message in relation to the "Manufacture of Salt", ask to be discharged from further consideration of the subject, since by more recent action of both Houses, another joint Committee has been appointed to consider that in connexion with other subjects of like importance
Nov 19th 1862 – T. B. Moseley Chm H. Com

Which on motion of Mr Oliver was received and the Committee discharged –

H.B. No 69 introduced

Mr Connell introduced House bill No 69, Entitled "An act to amend an act to facilitate the circulation of Arkansas War bonds and treasury warrants", which was read a first time — On motion of Mr Fisher the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time On motion of Mr Fisher the rules were suspended and the bill read a third time and passed, the title was then adopted as part of the same —

Mr Perkins presented the following report —

H.B. No 62

Mr Speaker — The Committee to whom was referred House bill No 62, Entitled an act to consolidate the Common School fund of Lafayette County and for other purposes": have had the same under consideration, and being of the opinion unanimously, that the provisions of the bill, are in conflict with the compact and grants of Congress — have instructed me to report the same back to the House and recommend its rejection — Perkins Chm

On motion of Mr Williams of Jefferson the report was adopted —

H.B. No 24

On motion of Mr Scott Senate Amendment to House Bill No 24, was taken up and read and upon motion of Mr Scott the amendment was concurred in by the House —

H.B. No 70 introduced

Mr Williams of Jefferson introduced House bill No 70, Entitled, an act to amend the Charter of the City of Pine Bluff — which was read a first time — On motion of Mr Gould the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time — On motion of Mr Neal the bill was so amended as to include the City of Greenwood in its provisions, On motion of Mr Scott the rules were then suspended, the bill read a third time as amended and passed the title as amended was then adopted as part of the same —

The following message was received from the Senate by the hands of their Secretary —

Mr Speaker — I am instructed to inform your Honorable body that the Senate has passed, Senate bill No 29 Entitled, an act for the relief of A Lockett —

S.B. No 29

S.B. No 32

Also, Senate bill No 32, entitled an act to change the Fourth, Fifth and ninth Judicial Circuits of this State — And has adopted the following joint resolutions

One for the appointment of a joint Committee to find a suitable residence for His Excellency Governor Hardy under which Messrs Smith, Embry, & Stillwell are the Committee on the part of the Senate —

Che to prevent the Keeper of the Penitentiary from receiving persons in that institution who are not sentenced by Judicial tribunals –

And one requesting Maj Genl Holmes to transfer to the Civil authorities all persons confined in the Penitentiary or other prison by order of the military authorities –

All of which are herewith transmitted for the consideration of your honorable body which is respectfully asked –

H.B. No. 41 — The Senate has amended and passed House bill No 41 ~~for~~ an act for the relief of James L. Morton and others which is herewith returned for the consideration of your honorable body –

S.B. No. 8 — The Senate has concurred in House amendment to Senate bill No. 8 entitled an act to facilitate the collection of debts against the estates of deceased persons –

S.B. No. 9 — The Senate has concurred in the amendments of the House to Senate bill No 9 ~~for~~ an act to amend the revenue laws except the following – Amend Section 2 by striking out "sold since the first day of January A.D. 1862 or hereafter" and insert in lieu thereof "after the passage of this act" –

Strike out of Sec 4 the word "tender" in the 2nd line –

Which two amendments the Senate has refused to concur in, and the same are therefore returned with the bill for the further action of your Honorable body –

D. D. Rimbell Secy Senate

Mallory's Resolution — Mr Mallory presented the following House Joint Resolution – Whereas the Bridge across the St Francis River, on the line of the Memphis and Little Rock Railroad was destroyed, as a military necessity, by order of the Military Commanders in Arkansas, to prevent the same being used by the abolition enemy, And whereas said bridge was an important link in said road, built at great cost and the Company are retarded in the completion of a road which when finished will be of great utility and convenience to the people, and as a military convenience – Therefore

Resolved, That our delegation in the Congress of the Confederate States are instructed and requested to apply at the proper department to have said Company paid for or reimbursed in the amount of the value of said bridge, to the end that the same be rebuilt, as soon as the condition of the Country will permit of its being done –

Which was read a first time – On motion of Mr Scott the rules were suspended and the resolution read a second

time. On motion of Mr Gould the rules were further suspended and the resolution read a third time and adopted

The following message was received from the Governor by the hands of Mr W M Mathews his private Secy

Mr Speaker — I am instructed by the Governor to inform your Honorable Body that on the 18th day of November 1862 he approved and signed —

House Resolution instructing our Senators and Representatives in Congress to inquire into the propriety of discontinuing mail routes ~~tele~~ from Camden Arkansas to point on the Mississippi river — Also on the 19th day of November 1862 he approved and signed the following acts to wit:

An act to compensate the County and Probate Judge of Arkansas County — An act to adopt Delphia Cain, Rachel Cain, and Jacob Peter Cain, and make them legal heirs of William Cain — An act for the relief of parties at law in the Augusta District in the County of Jackson and for other purposes — An act to retrocede portions of Calhoun County to the Counties of Union and Bradley — An act to authorize the Sheriffs elect of the Counties of Lawrence, Randolph, and Clay, to collect the Taxes in said Counties for the year 1862 — An act to consolidate the principal and interest of the Common School fund of Montgomery County — An act to repeal an act entitled "An act auxiliary of the Common School laws of the County of Arkansas — An act to change and regulate the time of holding the Probate Court of Polk County Arkansas —

Nov 20th 1862 W M Mathews Private Secy

S.B. no. 24

The hour of 10 o'clock having arrived on motion of Mr Scott the House went into Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering Senate bill no 24, which was the special order for that hour — Mr Pettus in the chair

After some time spent in the consideration of the same the Committee rose and and through their chairman made the following report

Mr. Speaker, The Committee of the Whole House to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 24, entitled an Act for the relief of needy families of Soldiers from this State. have had the same under consideration and have instructed me to report the same back to the House with sundry amendments and recommend its passage as amended. Pettus Chm Com. Whole House

Mr Moseley moved to refer the Bill and amendments

-ments to a select committee — which motion was decided by Mr. Speaker, to be out of order.

On motion of Mr. Collins of Drew the report of the Committee of the whole was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Scott the amendments were then read a second time.

Mr. Carnall moved to amend Sec. 1, 18th line after "battle" the words "or who may still be in the service".

Mr. Warner moved to lay the amendment on the table — upon which a division was called for and 29 members voted in the affirmative and 29 voted in the negative — which being a tie Mr. Speaker voted in the affirmative & the motion to lay on the table prevailed.

Mr. Powell moved to amend 12th Sec. by adding "Provided, that the amount which shall appear from discriptive lists furnished by any county or counties shall be reserved until such time as the disability for carrying the provisions of this act into effect shall be removed and then to be distributed in accordance with the provisions of this act!" and

On motion of Mr. Martin the amendment was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Neal the Bill was then read a third time as amended and passed. & the title was then adopted as part of the same.

On motion of Mr. Neal the House then took a recess till 2 o'clock P.M.

2 o'clock P.M. Nov. 20th/62

House met & resumed to order.

Mr Gentry asked and obtained leave of Absence for Mr Porter —

N.B. No 71 introduced

Mr Williams introduced House bill No 71, entitled "An act to repeal an ordinance of the Convention entitled an ordinance for the benefit of Arkansas County, which was read a first time, On motion of Mr Harding the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time On motion of Mr Gould the rules were further suspended and the bill was read a third time, On the question of the passage of the bill Mr Collins of Drew called for a division & 39 members voted in the affirmative and 13 in the

negative - So the bill passed, the title was then adopted as part of the same -

S.B. No 24 Mr Collins of Drew moved that the vote of this morning passing Senate bill No 24 be reconsidered, upon which a division was called for, and 32 members voted in the affirmative and 26 in the negative, so the motion to reconsider prevailed -

Mr Neal from joint committee asked and obtained leave of absence for himself and Messrs Oliver, Berry, Furr & Pettes to confer with the Committee on the part of the Senate -

S.B. No 24 Mr Collins of Drew moved to refer Senate bill No 24 to a Special Committee with instructions to report as early as practicable - Mr Speaker appointed as said Committee Messrs Collins of Drew, Moseley, & Lowry -

Mr Scott called up Senate resolution in regard to printing the acts of this Legislature in the newspapers of the city of Little Rock, which was read a first time, On motion of Mr Scott the rules were suspended and the resolution read a 2nd time -

Mr Scott moved to amend by saying all laws of a general character - On motion of Mr Warner the resolution and amendment were laid on the table,

H.B. No 72 introduced Mr Pennington introduced House bill No 72 Entitled, "An act for the relief of the late Sheriffs and Collectors of the different Counties in this State - Which was read a first time, On motion of Mr Bradshaw the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time - On motion of Mr Mallory the rules were further suspended and the bill read a third time, and passed, The title was then adopted as part of the same -

On motion of Mr Scott the Senate Calendar was then taken up -

S.B. No 9 Senate Bill No 9, was taken up, The question being on the Senate's refusal to concur in House amendments No's 2 & 4 & the House insisted on its amendments -

H.B. No 73 introduced Mr Berry introduced House bill No 73 - Entitled an act for the relief of Daniel A. Stuart of Franklin County which was read a 1st time - On motion of Mr Neal the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time - On motion of Mr Hart the rules were further suspended and the bill read a third time, and passed, the title was then adopted as part of the same -

Baker's Resolution Mr Baker presented the following Resolution -

Whereas, The main route now leading from Clarksville

Arkansas by way of Jasper terminates at James Cheney and whereas it is important to the public that said mail route should be extended to Berryville Arkansas Therefore be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that our Senators in Congress be instructed and our Representatives requested to use their influence to procure the passage of a law extending said mail route from said James Cheney via A. J. Webbs to Berryville Carroll County, Arkansas -

Which was read a first time -

On motion of Mr Baker the rules were suspended and the resolution read a second time - On motion of Mr Warner the rules were further suspended, and the resolution read a third time and adopted

H.B. No 74 introduced

Mr Scott introduced House bill No 74, entitled "an act to define & punish certain crimes in this State" which was read a first time - On motion of Mr Scott the rules were suspended and the bill read a se~~cond~~ On motion of Mr Scott the bill was then referred to the Judiciary Committee

S.B. No 11

Senate bill No 11 was then taken up and read a second time, on motion of Mr Carnall the second section of the bill was stricken out - On motion of Mr Carnall the rules were suspended and the bill read a third time, and on the question of its passage the bill was rejected -

S.B. No 16

Senate bill No 16, entitled "an act for the relief of B L. Britton & Co, was taken up and read a first time - On motion of Mr Robins the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time -

Mr Fuchs moved to lay the bill on the table, upon which a division was called for and 25 members voted in the affirmative and 27 in the negative So the motion to lay on the table was lost -

On motion of Mr Gould the rules were suspended and the bill read a third time, and upon the question of the passage of the bill, it was rejected

S.B. No 17

Senate bill No 17, entitled an act to regulate proceedings under Chapter 170 of the Digest, was taken up and read a first time - On motion of Mr Scott the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time - On motion of Mr Harding the Bill was rejected -

On motion of Mr Goodwin of

Union the House then adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock —

John M Howell
Speaker.

Hall of the House of Representatives
Little Rock, Arkansas, Nov. 21st 1861

House met pursuant to adjournment —
Prayer by the Revd Mr McKenzie Chaplain —
The Roll was then called. —
The Journal was read and approved —
Mr Powell asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr Moseley
Mr Cornall asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr Neal
Mr Collins of Drew presented the following report
Mr Speaker — The Select Committee to whom was
S B. No 24 referred on yesterday, Senate bill No 24 — Beg leave to report that they have had the same under consideration and have reported a bill by way of amendment, by striking out all after the enacting clause, and insert the amendment accompanying this report
Collins of Drew Chm

On motion of Mr Jones of Lawrence the report was adopted
The bill as amended was then read — Mr Scott moved that 100 copies of the bill as amended be printed for the use of the House and that the bill be made the Special order for Monday next 10 o'clock — which was lost —
Mr Collins of Drew moved the adoption of the amendment, upon which motion Mr Scott called for the ayes and noes, the call was sustained, and the roll called. Those members who voted in the affirmative were
Messrs Baker, Barnes, Bury, Bradshaw, Byrd Cornall, Cheatham, Cochran, Collins of Bradley Collins of Drew, Connelly, English, Fenton, Fletcher, Fritz, Gantt, Goodwin of Columbia, Goodwin of Union, Gould, Hammack, Harding, Harris, Harrison, Haynes, Holt, Howell, Hull, Hurt Jenkins, Jones of Hot Spring, Jones of Lawrence Lafferty, Lenning, Lowry, Martin, McFadden Murphy, Naylor, Neal, Oliver, Pennington, Pettigrew Pettus, Phillips, Powell, Pinkins, Richardson, Robins, Scott, Sewell, Stadden, Teague, Tucker, Tutt, Wamer, Wilson, Wilborn, Williams of Jefferson Williams of Union, Williamson, Wilson, Wingo.

Nayes 63 Mr Speaker — 63 ayes
Mr Mallory voted no — 1 no
So the amendment was adopted —
On motion of Mr Scott the bill as amended
was then put upon its passage, and upon
S.B. No 24 the vote being taken, Senate Bill No 24 as amend=
ed by the House passed —
Mr Neal appeared and took his seat at 1/4 past
9 o'clock —
On motion of Mr Collins of Drew the vote of
S.B. No 16 yesterday rejecting Senate bill No 16, was reconsid=
ered —
The vote was then again taken upon its final
passage and the bill passed —
The hour of 10 o'clock having arrived, on
motion of Mr Scott, the House went into Com=
H.B. No 55 mittee of the whole for the purpose of considering
House bill No 55, which was the special order
for that hour,
Mr Collins of Drew was called to the chair —
During the session of the Committee, a message
from the Senate was announced, and Mr
Speaker resumed the chair, and the following
Message was received from the Senate, by the
hands of their Secretary —
Mr Speaker — I am instructed to inform
S.B. No 28 your honorable body that the Senate has passed
Senate bill No 28, entitled "An act to repeal Sections
One, five, six, seven, Eight & nine of Chap 106 of
the Digest of the Statutes of Arkansas — and —
S.B. No 39 Senate bill No 39 entitled "An act to establish the
County of Woodruff" — Said two bills are here with
transmitted for the assent of your honorable body
which is respectfully asked. —
H.B. No 45 The Senate has assented to House bill No 45, entitled
"An act amendatory of the act incorporating the Wallace
Institute of Crawford County — and
H.B. No 59 The Senate has rejected House bill No 59, entitled
"An act to amend the law concerning Executors
administrators and guardians" — Said two bills
are herewith returned —
House bill The Senate has amended and passed House bill
No 42 No 42, Entitled "An act to suspend for the time being
the Federal land offices of this State and for other

Resolution Illegal Militia orders, in Trans Miss District

purposes — and The Senate has amended and concurred in House Joint resolution urging our delegation in Congress to have all illegal military orders in the Trans Mississippi District set aside &c — And has also amended and concurred in House resolution proposing a day and hour for the election of Public Printer — And has also amended and assented to House bill No 65 — Entitled "An act to extend the limits and amend the Charter of the town of Monticello —

House Bill No 65.

Said bills and resolutions with the amendments to each attached are herewith returned for the concurrence of your honorable body in said amendments

Cotton Resolution

The Senate refuses to assent to House resolution, asking Congress to indemnify citizens whose Cotton has been seized and destroyed, which is herewith returned — John D. Kimbell Secy Senate —

Mr Collins of Drew then resumed the Chair and the House in committee of the whole proceeded in the consideration of House bill No 55 —

H B. No 56

Mr Speaker again resumed the Chair and the following Message was received from the Senate by the hands of their Secretary, Mr Speaker — I am instructed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has amended and assented to House bill No 56 entitled "An act to pay the Secretary of State, Auditor, and Treasurer a specified Salary — Said bill is herewith returned with the amendments attached for the concurrence of your honorable body, which is respectfully asked. J. D. Kimbell Secy Senate

Mr Collins of Drew then again resumed the Chair and the House in Committee of the whole continued in consideration of House bill No 55 — And after some time spent in consideration of the same, the Committee rose and through their Chairman presented the following report —

H B. No 55 Report of Committee of the whole

Mr Speaker — The Committee of the whole House, to whom was referred House bill No 55, have had the same under consideration and have instructed me to report the bill back to the House with sundry amendments, and recommend its passage as amended —

Collins of Drew Chm Com of the whole House

On motion of Mr Furr the report

was adopted –

On motion of Mr Oliver the House then took a recess until 2½ O'clock P.M.

2½ O'clock P.M. Nov. 21st 1862

House called to order by Mr Speaker –

H.B. No 55 House bill No 55 was then again taken up –

Mr Perkins offered the following amendment Provided – that nothing contained in this act, shall be so construed, as to entitle any person, to a preference right on said lands, who shall begin and make any improvement on said lands after the passage of this act, which on motion was adopted

Fletcher Resolution Mr Fletcher offered the following resolution Resolved – That a select Committee composed of five members be appointed a committee of this House to enquire into the quantity of lands, of the Cairo and Fulton Rail-Road Company in Arkansas, that have been sold by the said Company, and also into the expediency of legislative enactment to legalize such sales, and also to enquire into the expediency of allowing said Company to sell the quantity of 120 sections of said lands granted to said Company, any where along the line of said road, including any quantity of land heretofore sold and not to exceed in the whole 120 sections as aforesaid, at a fixed price of $2.50 per acre for the purpose of enabling said Company to pay its liabilities, and reembrace its stockholders the amounts of their subscriptions paid up, provided and upon the condition, that said Company relinquish to the State any further claim they may have to said Rail Road grant – And that said Committee be instructed to report by Bill or otherwise –

Mr Harding moved to lay the resolution on the table – upon which a division was had and 32 members voted in the affirmative and 27 in the negative – So the resolution was laid on the table –

On motion of Mr Trotter the bill and amendments were referred to the Committee on State lands –

Report of Com. Mr English presented the following report Mr Speaker – The Special Committee to whom

on English's Resolution

was referred the resolution in relation to the construction of iron works, making iron &c have had the same under consideration, and as there has been a joint and select committee of both houses appointed to take into consideration the making of salt clothing iron &c, have instructed me to report the resolution back to the house and recommend that it be referred to the joint select committee, and ask that this committee be discharged from further action thereon — English Chm

On motion of Mr Williams of Jefferson the report was adopted and the Committee discharged —

The Senate Calendar was then taken up —

SB no 39

Mr Martin on leave called up Senate bill No 39 Entitled "an act to establish the County of Woodruff" which was read a first time — On motion of Mr Harding the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time Mr Mallory offered the following amendment to the 9th Section — The County Court of said County of Woodruff is hereby fully authorized empowered and required to adjust and settle with the Counties of St Francis and Jackson for the due proportion according to population at the time of the separation created by this act of the debt if any owing by those Counties respectively, and to which the said County of Woodruff shall contribute — which on motion of Mr Martin was adopted —

On motion of Mr Williamson the rules were further suspended and the bill read a 3d time as amended and passed, the title was then adopted as part of the same.

SB. No 17

Mr Lowry moved to reconsider the vote of yesterday rejecting Senate bill No 17, which was carried —

On motion of Mr Lowry the following resolution was adopted — Resolved that the Senate be requested to return to the House Senate bill No 17 —

Mr Pettigrew presented the following report —

Mr Speaker — The committee on enrollments have examined house bills No 2, 15, 31, 49, 51, 52, 57, 58 & 60 and house joint Resolution and have instructed me to report the same correctly enrolled —

Pettigrew Chairman
Committee on Enrollments

Mr Fissell called up Senate amendments to House joint resolution in regard to illegal military orders in the Trans Mississippi District — On motion of Mr Fissel the Senate amendments were concurred in

S B No 27 Mr Williamson called up Senate Bill No 27, entitled An act for the benefit of the minor and minor heirs of Thos. J. Pitts late of Columbia County. Which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Pattus the Rules were suspended & the Bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Gantt the rules were further suspended & the Bill read a third time & passed. The title was then adopted as a part of the same.

H B No 56 Mr. Carnall called up Senate amendments to House Bill No. 56. — The first amendment was read & on motion of Mr. Jones of Lawrence, was concurred in The second amendment was read & on motion of Mr. Martin was concurred in — The 3d amendment was read and on motion of Mr. Wynn was concurred in. The fourth amendment was then read — & on motion of Mr. Carnall the following amendment to the Senate amendment was adopted. — Strike out the proviso and insert, "and all such fees shall be paid into the State Treasury and the Treasurer shall keep a just account of the same." — The 5th amendment was read and on motion of Mr. Martin was concurred in. — The 6th & 7th amendments were then read & on motion of Mr. Scott were concurred in.

S B. No 32 Mr. Scott called up Senate Engrossed Bill No. 32 Entitled an Act to change the 4th 5th & 9th Judicial Circuits of this State. Which was read a first time

Mr. Pattus moved that the Bill be rejected Upon which Mr. Scott called for the Ayes & Noes which call was sustained & the roll called

Those members who voted in the affirmative were Messrs. Baker Barnes Berry Bradshaw Byrd, Carnall Chatham Cochran Collins of Bradley, Connelly English Fenton Fletcher Flurr Gantt Gordon of Columbia, Gordon of Union, Gould Hammack Harding Harrison Hall Howell Jenkins Jones of Lawrence, Jeffrey Lenning Lamy Malloy Martin Mayfield Neal Oliver Pennington Pettigrew Pattus Phillips Powell Perkins Richardson Robins Sissel Stroud Teague Tucker Tuttle Turner Walton Wilson Williams of Jefferson, Williams of Union Wilson

Myers, Wynn & Mr. Speaker 55 votes

Those members who voted in the negative were. Messrs. Harris, Jones of Hot Spring, Murphy & Scott — 4 votes.

So the Bill was rejected.

Mr. Fielder asked to be excused from voting which request was not granted.

Mr. Williamson asked to be excused from voting upon which a division was called for and 42 voting in the affirmative — Mr. Williamson was excused.

H.B. No 41 Mr. Jones called up Senate amendments to House Bill 41, which was read & on motion of Mr. Jones was concurred in.

S.B. No 29 Mr. Scott called up Senate Bill No. 29 entitled An act for the relief of A. S. Fletcher, which was read a first time — On motion of Mr. Scott the rules were suspended & the Bill read a second time — & on motion of Mr. Scott the Bill was referred to the Committee on Claims.

S. Resolution to pay accounts of Moore's Bat. Mr. Learnard called up Senate substitute resolution to pay accounts of Lt. Col. Jos. S. Moore's Battalion. Which was read a first time

On motion of Mr. Taylor the rules were suspended & the resolution read a second time. and

On motion of Mr. Learnard the resolution with the accompanying evidence was referred to the Committee on Claims

On motion of Mr. Baker the House adjourned till tomorrow morning at 8½ o'clock.

John Harrell
Speaker.

Hall of House of Representatives,
Little Rock, Ark, Nov 22nd 1862

House met pursuant to adjournment —
Prayer by the Revd Mr McKenzie Chaplain.
The roll was then called, and Messrs Fenton, Harrison, and Mallory were absent — The journal was then read and approved — Mr Mallory appeared in his seat at 9 o'clk
Mr Speaker called Mr Scott to the Chair
Mr Speaker announced that reports from Standing Committees were in order —
Mr Lowry presented the following report —

H.B. No 1 Mr Speaker — The Judiciary Committee to whom was referred House bill No 1 — Entitled "An act to authorize

the issue of change tickets" with instruction to prepare and report an appropriate bill, and to whom was referred also petition of citizens of Crawford County & Also Senate Bill No 5 Entitled an act to amend Chapter 29 of the Digest in relation to change tickets have had the same under advisement and have instructed me to report to the House a Substitute bill for House bill No 1, herewith submitted and recommend its passage & to recommend the rejection of Senate Bill No 5 — Lowry Chm Judiciary Com

SB. No 5

On motion of Mr Wynn the report was adopted — And Substitute House bill No 1 was read a first time,

On motion of Mr Oliver the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time —

Mr Pettigrew presented the following report —

Mr Speaker, The Committee on enrollments have examined House bill No 53, and House Joint Resolution and have instructed me to report the same correctly enrolled — Pettigrew Chm Com on Enrollments —

Mr Pettigrew, presented the following report —

Mr Speaker — The Committee on enrollments delivered to the Governor on the 20th day of November 1862 — House bills No 2, 18, 31, 49, 51, 52, 57, 58 & 60, also House Joint resolution for his approval and hereby report the same to this house — Pettigrew Chm Com on Enrolls

HB. No 1

Mr Harris offered the following amendment to Substitute House bill No 1, "Amend by adding County Judge after County Clerk where it occurs in the bill" — which was on motion rejected —

Mr Hart offered the following amendment, "Amend by striking out Clerk and County Judge being paid out of the County Treasury, for signing the change tickets and pay the Company who may make such deposits" — which on motion of Mr Olivin was laid on the table

On motion of Mr Olivin the rules were further suspended and the bill read a third time —

The following message was received from the Senate by the hands of its Secretary —

Mr Speaker — I am instructed to inform your Honorable body, that the Senate has passed the following Senate bills — No 37, Entitled an act for the relief of certain collectors of revenue — No 41, Entitled an act to provide for home defence and against insurrection — No 43 — Entitled an act for the relief of the families of the western Frontier Counties who are destitute

SB. No 37
SB. No 41
SB. No 43

of bread stuffs - Said three Senate bills are herewith transmitted for the assent of your honorable body which is respectfully asked -

H B No 36 The Senate has assented to House bill no 36, Entitled "An act to extend the provisions of an act entitled an act concerning the cultivation of Cotton approved March 21st 1862 -

H B. No 63 And has amended and assented to House bill no 63 entitled an act for the relief of Christopher & Jane Thompson of Scott County" which is herewith returned with the amendment attached for the concurrence of your honorable body, which is respectfully asked - S. D. Mimbell Sec Sen

H B No 1 The Question being then upon the passage of Substitute House bill No 1 - Mr Warner called for the ayes and noes, the call was sustained, and the roll called - Those members who voted in the affirmative were Messrs, Baker, Barnes, Berry, Byrd, Carnall, Chatham, Cochran, Collins of Bradley, Collins of Drew, Connelly, English, Fizer, Gantt Goodwin of Union, Gould, Hammack, Harding, Harris, Hamison Haynes, Holt, Horwell, Hurt, Jenkins, Lenning, Lowry, McFadden, Murphy, Naylor, Neal, Olivin, Pettigrew, Pettus, Phillips, Pinkins, Richardson, Sissel, Stoddard, Teague Tucker, Tuttle, Welborn, Williams of Jefferson, Williams of Union, Wycough, Wynn & Mr Speaker - 47 ayes

Those members who voted in the negative were - Messrs. Bradshaw, Fenton, Fletcher, Goodwin of Columbia Hull, Jones of Hot Spring, Jones of Lawrence, Laffey Martin, Mosely, Pennington, Powell, Robins, Scott, Warner Wilcoxen, Williamson & Wilson, - 18 noes

So the bill passed. The title was then adopted as part of the same -

Mr Lowry presented the following report -

Mr Speaker - The Judiciary Committee to whom

S. B No 10 was referred Senate bill No 10, Entitled an act to amend chapter 17 of the Digest of the Statutes of Arkansas have had the same under advisement, and have instructed me to report the same back with an amendment herewith submitted and to recommend its passage as amended

Lowry Chm Judy Com

The amendment was then read and on motion of Mr Robins adopted - On motion of Mr Bradshaw Senate Bill No 10, was then read a third time as amended and passed, the title was then adopted as part of the same -

Mr Lowry presented the following report

Mr Speaker — The Judiciary Committee to

S.B. No 12 whom was referred Senate bill No 12 entitled "An act to amend chapter 147 of the Digest concerning County revenue, have had the same under advisement and have instructed me to refer the same back & recommend its passage —

Lowry Chm Jud Committee

Which report was on motion adopted —

Mr Harding moved to amend by inserting in the first section the word "June" in lieu of "July"

On motion of Mr Fuller the amendment was laid on the table —

On motion of Mr Olivier the bill was read a third time & passed, the title was then adopted as part of the same

Mr Lowry presented the following report

Mr Speaker — The Judiciary Committee to whom

H.B. No 67 was referred House bill No 67 with amendments entitled "an act to confer jurisdiction on Justices of the Peace in actions Ex Delicto & for other purposes" have had the same under advisement & have instructed me to refer the same back, and to recommend its passage, without the amendment — Lowry Ch. Jud. Com.

On motion of Mr Baker the report was adopted

On motion of Mr Carnall the bill was then read a third time and passed the title was then adopted as part of the same —

Mr Lowry presented the following report —

Mr Speaker. The Judiciary Committee to whom was

H.B. No 68 referred House bill No 68, entitled a bill to amend the Patrol laws", have had the same under advisement & have instructed me to refer the same back & recommend its passage —

Lowry Chm Jud Com

On motion of Mr Robins the report was adopted —

On motion of Mr Carnall the bill was then read a third time and passed, the title was then adopted as part of the same

Mr Stoddard presented the following report —

Mr Speaker — The Select Committee to whom was

H.B. No 30 referred House bill No 30, Entitled, "An act to change the time of holding the Circuit Courts in the 3d Judicial District, have had the same under consideration and instructed me to report the same back to the House and recommend its passage as amended —

Stoddard Chm Select Com

On motion of Mr Robins the report was adopted —

The amendment was then read a first and second time.

The following message was received from the Governor Mr Speaker – I am instructed by the Governor to inform your Honorable body that on the 21st day of November 1862 he approved and signed, House Resolution instructing our Senators and Representatives in Congress to use their exertions to have erected at some point in the Rocky Mississippi District a factory for the manufacture of Clothing for the Soldiers – Also the following acts to wit;

An act to revive Swamp Land Scrip –

An act to provide for the temporary holding of County Courts in certain Cases and for other purposes –

An act to adopt Oliver N. Brown and Peter Brown the legal heirs of John M. Linsey of Montgomery County –

An act to prohibit the issuing of Treasury Certificates or Loan bonds bearing interest –

An act to change the names of Certain persons

An act to relieve Levee tax payers in Chicot and Desha Counties

An act to repeal the act creating the office of Assessor for Madison –

An act concerning Common Schools in Prairie County

An act making the County Treasurer of Ashley County Internal Improvement Commissioner

Nov 22d 1862 – W. M. Mathews Pro Tem

H.B. No 30 Mr Powell moved to recommit House bill No 30. to the Committee with instructions to enquire whether the provisions of the bill conflicts with the time of the holding of the courts in the 7th Judicial Circuit – which was carried –

The following message was received from the Senate by the hands of their Secretary –

Mr Speaker – I am instructed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has adopted the following joint Resolution –

Whereas it will be apparent from a careful examination of the Bill now pending before the General Assembly for the relief of the needy families of Soldiers that said Bill if passed by the General Assembly into a law cannot be made operative in the accomplishment of the objects had in view –

Therefore – Resolved That said Bill be ordered to lie on the table for the present and that the joint Select Committee heretofore appointed to take this matter into consideration be requested to prepare and report a

a Bill the passage of which will afford immediate and certain relief to the families of our soldiers.

Which is herewith transmitted for the consideration of your honorable body which is respectfully asked

S. V. Kimbell Sec. Senate.

On motion of Mr. Lowry the resolution just received from the Senate was taken up — and on motion of Mr. Robins was concurred in.

Mr. Neal called up Senate Bill No. 43. entitled an Act for the relief of the ~~Northern Counties~~ Counties who are destitute of breadstuffs. Which was read a first time

On motion of Mr. Powell the rules were suspended and the Bill read a second time.

Mr. Lowry offered the following amendment — Amend the 8th section by adding "Provided that when the corn shall be so disposed of and there is not sufficient to supply the country the said Agent is hereby authorized to reinvest the same moneys until the country be supplied, then pay over said moneys as herein provided. — Which on motion of Mr. Olivier was adopted.

Mr. Olivier moved to amend by allowing the Agent so appointed to pay for his expenses. — which on motion of Mr. Tucker was laid on the table

On motion of Mr. Sissel the rules were suspended and the Bill read a third time as amended — and passed. The title was adopted as part of same

Mr. Carnall introduced House Bill No. 75 entitled an Act authorizing the issue of Treasury Warrants of various denominations which was read a first time. — On motion of Mr. Sissel the rules were suspended & the Bill read a second time. & On motion of Mr. Wynne the rules were further suspended & the Bill read a third time. — and on the question of its passage Mr. Lafferty called for the Ayes & Noes, which call being sustained the Roll was called —

Those members who voted in the affirmative were Messrs. Baker Barnes Byrd Carnall Cochran Collins of Bradley Collins of Dade English Fletcher Farr Gantt Gardner of Columbia Gardner of Union Grell Hammack Harris Harrison Haynes Holt Howell Hull Lands of Lawrence Lafferty Lemons Mallory Martin McFadden Moseley Murphy Naylor Neal Olivier Pennington Pettigrew Pettus Powell Richardson Robins Scott Sissel Stoddard Teague Tucker Tuttle Warner Welborn Wilcoxen Williams of Jefferson Williams of Union Williamson Wilson Wyatt Wynne & Mr. Speaker — 54.

Those members who voted in the negative were Messrs. Barry Bradshaw Chatham Connelly Fenton Harding Lowry Phillips & Pastens — 9. So the Bill passed — & title was adopted

was adopted as part of the same.

Mr. Pattus introduced House Bill No. 76 entitled An act to repeal Section 28 of Chap. 154 of the Digest of the Statutes of Arkansas so far as relates to Sevier County. Which was read a first time. — On motion of Mr. Sisal the rules were suspended & the bill read a second time — On motion of Mr. Lewis of Lawrence the rules were further suspend & the Bill read a third time and passed. The title was then adopted as part of the same

Mr. Lowry asked leave to present the following report — which was granted.

Mr. Speaker — The Judiciary Committee to whom was referred House Bill No. 32 entitled An Act for the relief of certain persons in the county of St. Francis have had the same under advisement and have instructed me to refer the same back and recommend its passage. Lowry ch. Jud. Com.

Mr. Harding moved to reject the report. — upon which a division was had and 26 voted in the affirmative and 26 voted in the negative which being a tie Mr. Speaker voted in the negative — so the report was not rejected. and

On motion of Mr. Pennington the report was adopted.

Mr. Pennington moved to amend by striking out the preamble which was carried.

Mr. Neal moved to amend title by striking out the words "St. Francis County" and inserting "State of Arkansas" which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Mallory the ~~Bill was then read~~ a third time, and on the question of its passage a division was had — and 46 voted in the affirmative, and 9 in the negative — So the Bill passed. — The title was then adopted as part of the same.

Mr. Wilson introduced House Bill No. 77, entitled A Bill to constitute the County Treasurer of Perry County ex-Officio Internal Improvement Commissioner, which was read a first time & on motion the rules were suspended and the Bill read a second time. & on motion the rules were further suspended and the Bill read a third time & passed. The title was adopted as part of same.

Mr. Collins of Drew introduced House Bill No. 78. entitled An Act to create the office of Assessor in the County of Drew. which was read a first time. — & on motion the rules were suspended & the Bill read a second time. — Mr. English moved to amend by Embracing Jefferson County. which was adopted. — Mr. Gordon of Columbia, moved to amend by inserting Columbia county which was adopted. — Mr. Teague moved to amend by inserting Calhoun County which was adopted. — Mr. Carnall moved to amend by striking out the words "Gin bond and security and" which was adopted. — & on motion the rules were further suspended

and the Bill read a third time as amended and passed. The title was then adopted as part of the same.

Mr. Hutcheson offered the following Resolution.

Resolved. — That the Treasurer of this State be required to furnish this House with a statement of the amount of Gold and Silver on hand at the close of the General Assembly in January 1861. and how much has since been paid out, and to whom, and the date of such payments and the amount now on hand — the amount paid out for interest on war Bonds may stand in gross.

Which on motion of Mr. Pennington was adopted.

Mr. Laffoley introduced House Bill No. 79, entitled An Act to constitute Sarah Eliza Stevens the legal and sole heir of Daniel Turney of Van Buren County State of Arkansas which was read a first time. — On motion of Mr. Bradshaw the rules were suspended and the Bill read a second time & on motion of Mr. Laffoley the rules were suspended and the Bill read a third time — on question of its passage a division was called for & 34 voted in the affirmative & 18 in the negative — so the Bill passed — The title was then adopted as part of same.

Mr. Powell introduced House Bill No. 80, entitled An Act for the relief of Thos. B. Moseley, which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Powell the rules were suspended & the Bill read a second time. & on motion of Mr. Powell the Bill was referred to the Committee on Claims.

On motion of Mr. Harris Mr. Levy was added to the Joint Committee on Indigent Families

On of Mr. Robins Mr. Neal was added to the committee on State Lands.

Mr. Denton introduced House Bill No. 81. entitled An Act for the relief of the Sheriff of Washington County. which was read a first time. — & on motion of Mr. Byrd the rules were suspended and the Bill read a second time. — & on motion of Mr. Carnall the Bill was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Perkins introduced House Bill No. 82, entitled An Act to relieve the thirty day Volunteers, which was read a first time. — & on motion of Mr. Warner the rules were suspended and the Bill read a second time. & on motion of Mr. Perkins the Bill was then referred to a select Committee of three. — which was carried — Mr. Speaker appointed as such committee Messrs. Perkins, Jones of Lawrence and Martin.

Mr. Neal introduced the following ~~Hous~~ Joint Resolution
Whereas In the month of February A.D. 1862 our State was invaded and threatened to be overrun and devastated by our common enemy and Whereas Gen. Ben McCulloch in order to avert the danger and spoliation of the invading armies of the North called earnestly for the citizens of the State to rally to his standard and form themselves into Companies and regiments and be sworn into the service for and during the emergency, and whereas, many of our citizens rallied under the call of our lamented General and organized themselves into a regiment under Jas. P. King Colonel, and were mustered into the service of the Confederate States by Maj. Bradfute of C.S.A. under the direction of the Commanding General, and whereas that regiment did valuable service in the memorable battle of Elk Horn and was disbanded by their officers after the retreat of Maj. Gen. Van Dorn's forces South, after Postmountain, after rendering twenty one days valuable and faithful service to the C.S.A. and whereas, no provisions have been made for the paying of said troops. Therefore

Resolved. — By the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas That our Senators be instructed and our Representatives in Congress be requested to use their influence in the Confederate Congress to have an appropriation made for the purpose of paying said troops for their services, expenses, and losses. — Which was read a first time. — & on motion of Mr. Powell the rules were suspended and the resolution read a second time.

Mr. Spencer resumed the chair.

On motion of Mr. Scott the resolution was referred to the Committee ~~on~~ Militia

Mr. Scott presented the following Memorial:

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the Confederate States of America.

Your Memorialists, the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Arkansas, would respectfully represent:

That the Act of your Hon. body exempting certain persons from Military duty, bears unequally upon the people of our State, in that a white man is allowed exemption on a plantation where there is a certain number of slave hands. Advantage is taken of this by many who would otherwise come under the conscript ~~act~~. — We would therefore

pray your Hon. body, to so amend said law, as to provide that a white person over the Military age, or otherwise exempt, be only employed in such plantations.

Your Memorialists would further represent, that great detriment to our National Cause, is experienced, from the fact, that the various departments of the Confederate Army west of the Mississippi river, have in their employ hundreds of young and able bodied men subject to Military duty by detail and employment, whose services in the field would be of great importance to the Cause in which we are engaged while we are satisfied their places in the Departments could be well and sufficiently supplied by persons not subject to Military duty either by [redacted] of age or physical disability We would therefore respectfully Memorialize your Hon. body to pass a law forbidding by employment or otherwise in these Departments of any one subject to Military duty and to call to active duty those now so employed and supply their places in the departments with persons not subject to Military duty — And your Memorialists will ever pray.

Which was read a first time — On motion of Mr. Scott the rules were suspended and the Memorial read a second time — & on motion of Mr. Scott the rules were further suspended and the Memorial read a third time and adopted.

On motion of Mr. Perkins the House then adjourned till Monday morning at 9 o'clock

John Harrell
Speaker.

Hall of the House of Representatives
Little Rock, Ark., Nov 24th 1862

House met pursuant to adjournment —
Prayer by Revd Mr McKenzie Chaplain —
Roll was called — Messrs Gould, Haralson, McCollum & Porter were absent on leave, on account of sickness.
Mr Lowry asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr Hayes on account of sickness —
The Journal was read and approved
The following message was received from the Senate by the hands of his Secretary —

Mr Speaker — I am instructed to inform your Honorable body, that the Senate has assented to House bill No 69 entitled an act to amend an act to facilitate the Circulation of Arkansas War Bonds and Treasury

warrants - Also to House bill No 70 entitled an act to amend the charter of the cities of Pine Bluff and Greenwood And the Senate has amended and assented to House bill No 34 entitled an act fixing the time of the Election of members of Congress of the Confederate States
Which three bills are herewith returned, and the amendment to the latter is presented for the concurrence of your honorable body
The Senate has rejected House bill No 39. entitled An act authorizing the distillation of grain into Spirituous liquors; which is also herewith returned -

The Senate has concurred in House Joint resolution asking reimbursement to the Memphis and Little Rock. Rail road Co for the bridge destroyed at the crossing of St Francis river by order of the military authorities of the Confederate States; which is herewith returned -

The Senate has passed Senate bill No 57 to be entitled "An act for the relief of the Clerk of Sebastian County", and has adopted a joint resolution, concerning the cancellation of war bonds, Treasury warrants, detached Coupons, and Arkansas bank bonds, paid into the State treasury both of which are herewith presented for the consideration of the House -

The Senate has concurred in House amendments to Senate bill No 39 entitled an act to establish the County of Woodruff, and also in House amendment to Senate Bill No 13 entitled an act Concerning the revenue of the Counties -

The Senate refuses to concur in the House amendment to the amendment of the Senate proposed to House bill No 6, entitled An act for the relief of persons holding mortgaged property And the Senate also refuses to concur in the amendment proposed by the house to the 4th Senate amendment to House bill No 56 entitled an act to pay the Secretary of State, Auditor, and Treasurer each a specific salary. - Said two bills with the amendments are herewith returned for the further action of the House -

The Senate still refuses to concur in the 2nd & 4th amendments of the House to Senate bill No 9. entitled an act to amend the Revenue laws - And as the House insists on said amendments a committee of conference is requested by the Senate on which Messrs Stillwell, Hampton, Van Patten, Smith and Clark are appointed upon the part of the Senate, The Senate has concurred in House amendment to Senate bill No 43, entitled an act for the relief of the families of the Western frontier Counties who are destitute of bread stuffs -

J. D. Trimble Secy Senate.

Mr Collins of Drew Chairman of the Committee on Claims reported verbally House bill No 81 back to the House and recommended its passage -

On motion of Mr Byrd the report was adopted –

On motion of Mr Byrd the rules were suspended and the Bill was read a third time and passed. The title was then adopted as part of the same.

Mr Collins of Drew Chairman of the Committee on Claims reported verbally House Bill No. 80, entitled An Act for the relief of Thos. B. Mosley with the recommendation that the bill pass. – Mr Powell asked leave to withdraw the Bill from further consideration – which was granted.

Mr. Collins of Drew presented the following report.

Mr. Speaker – The Committee on claims to whom was referred a joint resolution by leave to report that the same has been considered and an amendment offered for the same and this paper recommended Collins of Drew Chm

The following amendment was then read, amend by striking out all after the word "Resolved" & insert "By the General assembly of the state of Arkansas that the Military Board be and is hereby authorized to examine, audit and pay the accounts made by John H Brittain quarter master of Lt. Col. Jos. S. Moores Battalion, if in the opinion of said Board such accounts be just, whether the same be strictly in form or not – said Lt. Col. Moore having been killed in Battle before such accounts were approved by him.

Mr. Scott was called to the chair.

On motion the report of the Committee was adopted & on motion of Mr. Holt the Resolution as amended was adopted.

Mr. Collins of Drew Chairman of Committee on Claims made a partial report on Senate Bill No. 29 entitled An Act for the relief of A. S. Lockard with an amendment & recommended the passage of the Bill. & on motion of Mr. Bradshaw the report was adopted – the following amendment was then read – amend by striking out all after the word "money" in the last line & insert "heretofore placed under the control of said Board remaining unexpended" which was adopted – & on motion of Mr. Bradshaw the Bill was then read a third time as amended, and passed. – The title was adopted as part of same.

as amended –

The following message was received from the Senate by the hands of the Secretary

Mr. Speaker – I am instructed to inform your Honorable body that the Senate has reconsidered its refusal to concur in the House amendment to Senate Amendment to House Bill No. 6 entitled An act for the relief of persons holding mortgaged property and in House amendment to Senate Amendment to House Bill No. 56, entitled An act to pay the Secretary of State Auditor and Treasurer each a specified salary. and report

the return of said two Bills for further consideration of said amend-
-ments — L. D. Mimbres Sec. Senate

On motion of Mr Carnall the House concurred in said request of the Senate & directed the clerk to return the Bills

Mr. Carnall introduced House Bill No. 83. entitled An Act to amend an act entitled an act to increase the amount of the Bond of the Treasurer & Auditor of Arkansas. Which was read a first time — Mr. Carnall moved to suspend the rules & the bill be read a second time, which was carried Mr. Blair [illegible] that the rules be suspended & the Bill be read a third time — which was objected to — & upon a division being had 23 members voted in the affirmative & 29 in the negative — so the rules were not suspended — & on motion of Mr. Collins of Dorr the Bill was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Speaker presented the petition of sundry citizens of Crawford County which was referred without reading to the committee on Indigent Families.

The following message was received from the Senate by the hands of their secretary

Mr. Speaker — I am instructed to return to your Hon. body Senate Bill No. 17, entitled an act to regulate the proceedings under chap. 170 of the Digest as requested by the House in Bdy Lect. L. D. Mimbres Sec. Senate.

Mr. Gantt introduced House Bill No. 84. entitled An Act supplementary to an act to provide for the election of a Tax assessor for the County of Columbia — which was read a first time — On motion of Mr. Carnall the rules were suspended & the Bill read a second time — & on motion of Mr. Carnall the rules were further suspended & the Bill read a third time & passed — The title was adopted as apart of the same.

Mr. Jenkins introduced House Bill No. 85. entitled An Act to relieve debtors. which was read a first time. & on motion of Mr. Jones of Lawrence the rules were suspended & the bill read a second time. — Mr. Fletcher moved to amend by inserting "Guardians & Administrators excepted" — Mr. Blair moved to lay the Bill & amendment on the table — which motion was lost — On the question of the adoption of the amendment a division was called for and 26 members voted in the affirmative and 29 in the negative so the amend-
-ment was lost. & on motion of Mr. Carnall the Bill was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Pettigrew introduced House Bill No. 86. entitled

An act to prevent the sale of ardent spirits within two miles of Paradise Academy. which was read a first time on motion of Mr. Pettigrew the rules were suspended a second time & on his motion the rules were further suspended & the Bill read a third time & passed. — the title was then adopted as a part of the same

Mr. Carnall offered the following resolution.

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that the Secretary of State furnish each member of this Assembly with one bound copy of the second Geological Report of Dr. Owen and that he distribute the remaining volumes (except 50 for the use of the State) to the several counties in this State in proportion to their Representation:

Which was read a first time. & on motion of Mr. Berry the rules were suspended and the Resolution was read a second time & on motion of Mr. Warner the rules were further suspended & the Resolution read a third time & adopted.

Mr. Stoddard asked & obtained leave to present the following report

Mr. Speaker — the Select committee to whom was referred House Bill No. 30 have had the same under advisement and instructed me to return the same back to the House and recommend its passage.

Stoddard Chairman

On motion Mr. Warner the report was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Stoddard the Bill was then read a third time & passed. The title was adopted as part of same.

On motion of Mr. Warner the Senate Calendar was then taken up.

Senate amendment to House Bill No 42 was taken up & read & on motion of Mr. Collins of Drew was concurred in.

Senate Joint resolution concerning the publication of the Act of this General Assembly in the newspapers of Little Rock was taken up & read a first time & on motion Mr. Ware was rejected.

Senate amendment to House Bill No. 63 was taken up & read & on motion of Mr. Pennington was concurred in.

Senate Bill No. 41 entitled An act to provide for home defense & against insurrection was taken up & read a first time & on motion of Mr. Pettus the rules were suspended & the bill read a second time & on motion of Mr. Martin the bill was referred to the Committee on Militia.

Senate Bill No. 37. entitled An act for the relief of certain collectors of revenue. was taken up and read a first time. & on motion of Mr. Lines of Sevier the rules were suspended & the Bill read a second time — Mr. Carnall moved to amend by inserting the word "last" after the word

"Nay" which was adopted. & on motion of Mr. Pettus the rules were further suspended & the bill read a third time & passed. The title was then adopted as part of same.

Mr. Pettigrew presented the following report:
Mr. Speaker the committee in Enrollments did on the 21st day of Nov. 1862 deliver to the Governor House Bill No. 53. & House Joint resolution for his approval & hereby report the same to this House. Pettigrew Ch. Com in Enr.ts

Senate amendment to House Bill No. 65 was then taken up & on motion of Mr. Collins of Dallas concurred in.

Senate Bill No. 19 entitled An act to amend the charter of Ft. Smith was taken up read a first time — & on motion of Mr. Carnall the rules were suspended & the bill read a second time — & on his motion the rules were further suspended & the bill read a third time & passed. the title adopted as part of same.

Senate Joint Resolution requesting Maj. Gen Holmes to transfer persons confined in prison by order of Military authorities to the Civil authorities, was taken up & read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Lisenbee the rules were suspended & the resolution read a second time — Mr. Carnall offered the following amendment — "Be it further resolved that in case of the neglect or refusal of the Military authorities to take said persons out of said institution within 30 days after the passage of this act — then it is hereby made the duty of the Keeper of the Penitentiary to set such persons at liberty. On motion of Mr. Harding the resolution & amendment were referred to the committee on Penitentiary

The following message was received from the Governor
Mr. Speaker — I am instructed by the Governor to inform your honorable body that on the 22d day of Nov. 1862 he approved and signed a resolution requiring the Treasurer of the State of Arkansas to redeem all detached coupons taken off genuine War Bonds — Also an act to amend 50 for assessors to Chicot County An act to authorize the County courts of Lafayette Sebastian Chicot Hempstead and Randolph counties to lay a road tax approved Jan. 15th 1859 — Nov. 24th W. W. Martin Pri. Sec.

Senate Joint resolution for committee to ascertain whether a suitable residence can be found for Gov. Hanger was taken up read & on motion of Mr. Pennington was concurred in — Mr. Speaker appointed as the committee on the part of the House Messrs. Pennington Martin & Pettus

Mr. Mallory offered the following Joint resolution
Whereas the cost of living at Little Rock is enormously

high and the salary of the Governor inadequate to maintain a family here with the necessary servants. Therefore Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that the sum of One Thousand Dollars per annum for servants hire and incidental expenses of the Executive Mansion for the ensuing ~~two~~ years be and the same is hereby appropriated to be paid quarterly. Which was read a first time. On motion of Mr. Lowry the rules were suspended & the resolution read a second time & on his motion the rules were further suspended & the bill read a third time, & on the question of its ~~passage~~ adoption Mr. Baker called for the Ayes & Noes which call being sustained the roll was called.

Those members voting in the affirmative were Messrs Barnes Byrd Carnall Cheatham Cochran, Collins of Dev Connelly English Harris Howell Leming Lowry Mallory Martin McCadden Moseley Naylor Neal, Oliver Pennington Perkins Robins ~~Robins~~ Scott Stoddard Tucker Tuttle Welborn Williams of Union Wynn & Mr. Speaker — 30.

Those members voting in the negative were messrs. Baker Berry Boardshaw Collins of Bradley Hunter Hitchcock Hurr Gantt, Gordon of Columbia Gordon of Union Hammack Harding Harrison Holt Hull Hunt Jenkins Jones of ~~Jackson~~ Hot Spring Jones of Jackson Jeffery Murphy Pettus Phillips Richardson Sisel Teague Varner Wilcoxon Williamson Wilson & Wyatt 31 Nays. So the resolution was lost.

Senate amendment to House resolution fixing a day to elect a State printer was taken up & Senate amendment concurred in.

Senate Bill No. 22 entitled An Act to amend Chap. 40. of the Digest under the head of costs was taken up & read a first time. & on motion of Mr. Harding the rules were suspended & the Bill read a second time & on motion of Mr. Baker the rules were further suspended & the bill read a third time & passed. Title adopted as part of same.

Senate Bill No. 28, entitled An Act to repeal Secs. One, five, six, seven, eight & nine of Chap. 106, of the Digest of the Statutes of Arkansas was taken up and read a first time, & on motion of Mr. Mallory the rules were suspended & the Bill read a second time. — On motion of Mr. Carnall the Bill was then referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Senate Joint resolution concerning the purchase & transportation of articles of clothing to the Trans. Mip. Dist. from the Eastern part of the Confederacy, was read a first time, & on motion of Mr. Carnall the rules were suspended

and the resolution read a second time, & on motion of Mr. Harding the rules were further suspended & the resolution read a third time & adopted.

Mr. Taylor moved to suspend the calendar to enable him to introduce a bill — which was lost.

Senate amendments to House Bill No. 12 were taken up & read & on motion of Mr. Jones of Sevier was concurred in.

Senate Joint Resolution tendering the Capes of the State House to the Military authorities — was read a first time. On motion of Mr. Sickle the rules were suspended & the resolution read a second time, & on his motion the rules were further suspended & the resolution read a third time & adopted.

Senate amendments to House Bill No. 20. was taken up & read — & on motion of Mr. Hickes was concurred in.

Senate Bill No. 81, entitled an act for the relief of Sebastian County was taken up & read a first time & on motion of Mr. Neal the rules were suspended & the bill read a second time — & on his motion the rules were further suspended & the bill read a third time & passed. — The title was adopted as part of same.

Senate amendment to House bill No 34. was taken up, & read & on motion of Mr Collins of Drew was concurred in —

Senate Joint Resolution relative to cancellation of war bonds, Treasury warrants, Detached Coupons & Arkansas Bank bonds was taken up and read a first time, On motion of Mr Pettus the rules were suspended, and the resolution read a second time, On motion of Mr Fuller the rules were further suspended and the resolution read a third time, and concurred in —

The Senate's refusal to concur in the 2nd & 4th amendments proposed by the House to Senate Bill No 9, was taken up, and the 4th amendment recede from, and the question being as to whether the House still insisted on the 2nd amendment, a division was called for, and upon a count 42 members voted in the affirmative, and 9 in the negative, So the House still insisted on the amendment. — On motion of Mr Collins of Drew the House agreed to the Senate's proposal Committee of Conference, and the Speaker appointed as such Committee on the part of the House Messrs Neal, Howell and Lowry —

Mr Lowry called up Senate bill No 13, entitled

"An act to regulate proceedings under Chapter 170 of the Digest" which was read a second time, The bill was then on motion of Mr Carroll referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

Mr Naylor introduced House bill No 87, Entitled "An act supplemental to an act passed at the present session of the General Assembly for the relief of the families of the western frontier Counties who are destitute of bread stuffs - Approved Nov 24th 1862"

Which was read a first time, On motion of Mr Naylor the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time - Mr Harding moved to lay the bill on the table, which was lost - Mr Hammack moved to amend by inserting Benton County - Mr Martin moved to refer the bill and amendment to the Committee of Petitions and Memorials - upon which a division was had, and upon a count 28 members voted in the affirmative and 25 in the negative So the bill was so referred -

On motion of Mr Martin the House then adjourned to tomorrow morning at 1/2 past 8. O'clock

John Carroll speaker

Hall of the House of Representatives
Little Rock, Ark. Nov 25th 1862

House met pursuant to adjournment -
Prayer by the Revd Mr McKenzie Chaplain -
Roll was called, and Messrs Fulton & Gould were absent on leave on account of sickness - Mr Baker asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr Berry - Mr Mann asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr Jones of Lawrence - Mr Gunter asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr Porter - Mr Harris asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr Williams of Jefferson -
The Journal was then read and approved -
Mr Scott offered the following resolution which on motion was adopted - Resolved that no leave of absence be hereafter granted to any member of this House, during the remainder of this session except for sickness of the member or of his family, or except the family of the member should be in danger of falling into the hands of the enemy -
Mr Perkins offered the following resolution which on motion was adopted - Resolved that the use of the Hall of the House of Representatives, be tendered to Col Colon Bowland, this

afternoon at 7 o'clock, and he be hereby invited to address the members of this General Assembly, and that the ladies be invited to attend —

Mr Collins of Drew presented the following report —

Mr Speaker — The joint select committee, on indigent families of soldiers, who were instructed by joint resolution to report a new bill for one now laying on the table in the Senate have prepared the same, and have instructed me to report it to this House for its action & recommend its passage

Collins of Drew Chairman

Which report was on motion adopted — and House bill No 88 "Entitled an act for the relief of indigent & needy families of Soldiers" was read a first time — On motion of Mr Collins of Drew the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time — Mr Scott offered the following amendment — "Amend by inserting after the word "appropriated" the words "out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated" — Mr Byrd moved to lay the amendment on the table, which motion was lost — On motion of Mr Scott the amendment was adopted — On motion of Mr Pennington the rules were suspended and the bill read a 3d time Mr Moseley moved that the House go into Committee of the whole for the consideration of the bill, the Speaker decided the motion to be out of order, Mr Moseley appealed from the decision of the Chair, and the vote being taken the chair was sustained — Mr Powell moved that the House reconsider the vote putting the bill on its 3d reading — lost —

The question being then upon the passage of the bill Mr Scott called for the ayes and noes, the call was sustained and the roll called, those members who voted in the affirmative were messrs Baker, Barnes, Byrd, Cheatham, Cochran, Collins of Bradley, Collins of Drew, Connelley, English, Fain, Fenton, Fletcher, Furr, Gantt, Goodwin of Columbia, Goodwin of Union, Hammack, Hanalson, Harding, Harris, Hanson, Haynes, Holt, Hull, Hurt, Jenkins, Jones of Hot Spring, Lafferty, Lenning, Lowry, Mallory, McCollum, McFadden, Mosley, Murphy, Naylor, Oliver, Pennington, Pettigrew, Powell, Purkins, Richardson, Robins, Scott, Sidell, Stoddard, Teague, Tucker, Tuttle, Warner, Wolfson, Wilson, Williams of Union, Williamson, Wilson, Wycough, Wynne, & Mr Speaker — 58 ayes

Those members who voted in the negative — none Mr Martin was excused from voting — So the bill passed

The title was then adopted as part of the same –

Mr. Scott offered the following report for Mr Lowry

Mr Speaker – The Judiciary Committee to whom was referred House Bill No. 83, entitled An act to amend an act entitled An act to increase the amount of the Bond of the Treasurer & Auditor of Arkansas have had the same under advisement and have instructed me to report the same back with amendments which are herewith submitted and to recommend its passage as amended Very Ch^y Lds^s Com.

On motion of Mr. Millington the report was adopted. On motion the Bill was then read a third time, & on the question of the passage of the Bill Mr. Trotter called for the ayes & noes which call being sustained the roll was called.

Those members voting in the affirmative were Messrs. Baker Chealham Cochran Collins of Bradley English Fain Fenter Fletcher Gantt Harding Harris Hanson Holt Hull Lafferty Liming Lowry McCollum Moseley Naylor Neal Oliver Pettigrew Powell Tuttle Wynne & Mr Speaker – 27

Those members voting in the negative were Messrs. Barnes Byrd Connelly Farr Goodwin of Columbia Goodwin of Union Hammack Hazaleau Hayes Jenkins Jones of Hisping, Mallory Martin Murphy Perkins Richardson Robins Scott Stoddard Teague Trotter Warner Welborn Wilcoxen Williams of Union Williamson Wilson & Wyeroph – 28.

So the Bill was rejected.

The following Message was received from the Senate by the Hands of their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker – I am instructed to inform your Honorable body that the Senate has assented to the following House Bills No. 76 entitled An act to repeal Sec. 28 of Chap. 154 of the Digest of the Statutes of Arkansas as far as it relates to Drew County No. 77, entitled An act to constitute the County Treasurer of Perry County ex Officio Internal Improvement Commissioner. – No. 78 entitled An act to create the Office of Assessor in the County of Drew Jefferson Columbia & Calhoun. – No 79. entitled An act to constitute Sarah Eliza Stevens the legal & sole heir of Daniel Lowery of Van Buren County Arkansas, — and has rejected House Bill No. 16 entitled An act in relation to the marriage laws of this state. – all of which are herewith returned. –

The Senate has amended and concurred to House Bill No 60 entitled An act to amend the Patrol Laws, & has amended & concurred in House resolution relative

to a mail from Clarksville to Danville — both of which are herewith transmitted with the amendments attached for the consideration of your honorable body. — The Senate has concurred in House resolution to prevent the Keeper of the Penitentiary from receiving and keeping in said institution any person except those sentenced by Judicial Tribunal which is herewith returned —

The Senate has rejected House resolution tendering thanks to John C. Bush of Dade County which is returned.

The Senate has concurred in House amendment to Senate amendment to House Bill No 85 entitled an act to pay the Secretary of State Auditor & Treasurer such a specified salary which is herewith returned.

The Senate has passed Senate Bill No. 6 entitled an act to appropriate the Internal improvement fund of Independence Izard Van Buren Jackson Carroll Union Columbia Polk Pike Polk St. Francis White Jackson Pope Newton Searcy Marion Lawrence Fulton Ouachita Calhoun Crop & Johnson Counties for the relief of the Destitute families of volunteers. — Also Senate Bill No. 47. entitled an act to prevent convicts of the Penitentiary from laboring on farms — said two Senate Bills are herewith returned for the assent of your honorable body which is respectfully asked. — D. W. Hubbell Sec. Sen.

Mr. Pettigrew presented the following report

Mr. Speaker The committee on enrollments have examined House Bills No. 24, 36, 41, 45 & 69, also House Joint Resolution & have instructed me to report the same correctly enrolled. Pettigrew Ch. Com. on Enrollments.

Mr Speaker announced that reports from Standing Committees were in order —

Mr Lowry Chm Com on the Judiciary presented the following report —

Mr Speaker — The Judiciary Committee to whom was referred Senate bill No 28 "Entitled An act to repeal sections 5. 6. 7. 8 & 9 of Chapt 106 of the Digest of the Statutes of the State of Arkansas" have had the same under advisement, and have instructed me to report the same back amended, which is herewith submitted and recommend the passage of the bill as amended

Lowry Chm Jud Com

which was on motion adopted —

On motion of Mr Oliver the amendment was adopted — On motion of Mr Harding the bill

was then read a 3d time as amended and passed.
Mr Harding moved to amend the title by striking out the word five and figure (5), which was adopted.
The title to the bill as amended was then adopted as part of the same —
On motion of Mr Scott the House bills which had not been disposed of were then taken up —
Substitute House bill No 5 was then taken up, and on motion was read a third time — Mr Jones of Hot Spring offered an amendment which was decided out of order
Mr Jones of Hot Spring then moved that the House reconsider the vote putting the bill on its 3d reading, which was carried — Mr Scott moved to amend by exempting the Counties of Saline, Jackson, Bradley White & Clark from the provisions of the bill —
Mr Williams of Union by excepting the County of Union
Mr Warner by excepting the County of Lawrence —
Mr Fowx by excepting the County of Ouachita — Mr Welborn by excepting the County of Conway — Mr Hull by excepting Marion County — Mr Goodwin of Columbia by excepting the County of Columbia — Mr Barns by excepting Prairie County
Mr Stoddard by excepting Craighead County & Mr Tuttle by excepting Washington County — Mr Mallory moved to amend by paying the unappropriated portion of the Internal improvement fund of St Francis County.
Mr Teague moved to amend by paying "who have been in service" before the words "now in service"
Mr Neal moved to amend by striking out the word "required" where it occurs, and insert in lieu thereof "may at its discretion" —
On motion of Mr Harding the bill and amendments were laid on the table —
Senate bill No 6 — entitled "an act to appropriate the Internal improvement funds of Independence Izard, Van Buren, Bell, Poinsett, Carroll, Union, Columbia Pike, Polk, St Francis, White, Jackson, Pope, Newton, Searcy Marion, Lawrence, Fulton, Ouachita, Calhoun, Crop, and Johnson Counties for the relief of the destitute families of Volunteers" — was taken up and read a first time
On motion the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time —
Mr Naylor moved to amend by adding the County of Madison to the provisions of the bill — Mr Hurt by adding Montgomery County — Mr Barnes by

adding Prairie County, Mr Nelson by adding Perry County and Mr Fain by adding Benton County Mr Perkins by adding Randolph County — Mr Mallory moved to amend by striking the appropriation portion of the internal improvement fund of St Francis County Mr Warner moved to amend by striking out the County of Lawrence, Mr Powell by striking out Izard County — Mr Martin by striking out Jackson County, Mr Fuzzy by striking out Ouachita County — Mr Williams of Union by striking out Union County —

On motion of Mr Petty the rules were suspended and the bill read a third time as amended and passed The title was then adopted as part of the same —

House bill No 9, was then taken up and read a second time, and on motion was laid on the table for the time being —

House bill No 50, was taken up, and read a second time, and on motion of Mr Tucker was referred to the Committee on Militia —

House bill No 66, was then taken up, and read a third time, and on motion of Mr Byrd was laid on the table for the present —

Mr Barnes introduced House bill No 89 — Entitled "an act to abolish the office of Internal Improvement Commissioner for the County of Prairie and for other purposes" — which was read a first time, On motion of Mr Pennington the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time, — On motion of Mr Pennington the rules were further suspended the bill read a third time and passed, The title was then adopted as part of the same —

Mr Haynes introduced House bill No 90 entitled "an act to extend the powers of the Judges of Probate in certain cases", which was read a first time — On motion of Mr Pennington the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time — On motion of Mr Tucker the bill was then referred to the Judiciary Committee

On Motion of Mr Cornell the Senate Message received this morning was taken up —

Senate bill No 47, Entitled "an act to prevent Convicts of the Penitentiary from laboring on farms" was taken up and read a first time. On motion of Mr Olivier the rules were suspended

and the bill read a second time - On motion of Mr Fricker the rules were further suspended and the bill read a third time, and passed. The title was then adopted as part of the same.

Senate amendment to House Joint Resolution relating to mail route from Steele's to Berryville Arkansas, was taken up, and read, and on motion of Mr Holt concurred in by the House.

Mr Barnes introduced House bill No 91 entitled "an act to regulate the pay of the associate Justices of the County Courts of the several Counties in this State" - which was read a first time - On motion of Mr Fletcher the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time - Mr Oliver moved that the bill be rejected, upon which a division was had and 30 members voted in the affirmative, and 24 in the negative - So the bill was rejected -

Mr Teague introduced House bill No 92 Entitled "an act to authorize Justices of the peace to receive and receipt for money in certain cases" which was read a first time, On motion of Mr Robins the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time - On motion of Mr Bradshaw the bill was then referred to the Committee on the Judiciary -

Mr Carroll introduced House bill No 93, entitled "an act to transfer the specie in the Treasurers' office in this State to the Confederate States of America" which was read a first time - On motion of Mr Fiser the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time - On motion of Mr Mallory was referred to the Committee on ways & means -

On motion of Mr Oliver the House then adjourned to tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock -

John Harrell
Speaker

Hall of the House of Representatives
Nov 21st 1862 -

House met pursuant to adjournment -
Prayer by the Reverend Mr McKenzie Chaplain -
The Roll was called, and Messrs Berry, Gordon, Jones of Lawrence, Porter & Williams of Jefferson

were absent on leave [illegible]
The Journal was then read and approved —
Mr Speaker announced that Reports from Standing Committees were in order —
Mr Wynn presented the following report —
Mr Speaker — The Committee to whom was referred a bill and amendment, supplemental to an act passed at the present Session of the General Assembly for the relief of families on the Western frontier, have had the same under consideration & instructed me to report it back to the House and recommend the passage of the accompanying Bill as a substitute —
Wynn Chairman
Which on motion of Mr Holt was adopted — A Substitute House bill no 87, entitled "an act supplemental to an act passed at the present Session of the General Assembly for the relief of the families of the Western frontier Counties who are destitute of Breadstuffs", was read a first time, — On motion of Mr Wynn the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time — On motion of Mr Wynn the rules were further suspended and the bill read a third time and passed, the title was then adopted as part of the same,
Mr Cannall presented the following report
Mr Speaker — The Committee on Ways & Means to whom was referred House bill no 93, entitled "an act to transfer the specie now in the Treasurer's Office of this State to the Confederate States of America", have considered the same and instructed me to report the same back, and recommend its passage
Cannall Chairman
Mr Fowler moved to adopt the report — [illegible] lost
On motion of Mr Scott House bill no 93 was indefinitely postponed —
Mr Hamilton offered the following report
Mr Speaker — The Committee on State lands, have had under consideration House bill no 55 as referred to them, to arrest from the Board of Directors and Stockholders of the Cairo & Fulton Rail road Company the grant of lands made by the Congress of the United States to the State of Arkansas for the purpose of constructing a rail road from a point on the Mississippi opposite the mouth of the Ohio river via Little Rock to Texas boundary near Fulton Arkansas and to convert the same to the use of the State and for other purposes

have instructed me to return the bill and introduce a substitute — Hamalson Chm of Sd. Committee substitute House bill No 55, entitled "An act to vest the title of the lands known as the Cairo & Fulton rail road lands in the State of Arkansas", was read a first time — On motion of Mr Hart the report of the Committee was adopted — On motion of Mr Harding, the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time —

should not appear on the Journal,

Mr Pennington moved to lay the bill on the table until the 4th day of July next —

Mr Pennington upon leave of the house withdrew his motion to lay on the table until the 4th of July next

And Mr Scott offered the following amendment — Proviso to section 1st. "That the title to all lands sold by said Company to individuals, be and the same are hereby confirmed, and declared to be valid and good"

Mr Perkins moved to lay the amendment on the table —

The following message was received from the Senate by the hands of their Secretary —

Mr Speaker, — I am instructed to inform your Honorable body, that the Senate has assented to the following House bills — No 64, entitled an act for the relief of Silas A. Kelly and to declare him of age and competent to receive his property — No 72, entitled an act for the relief of the late Sheriffs and Collectors of the different Counties in this State No 73, entitled an act for the relief of Daniel A. Stuart as Sheriff and Collector of the County of Franklin — and has amended and assented to House bill No 23, entitled An act to prevent the issuing of Executions — All of which are herewith returned with the amendments to the latter attached for the consideration of your honorable body which is respectfully asked —

The Senate has passed the following Senate bills —

No 33, entitled, an act to amend Chapter 60 of the Digest in relation to Dower,

No 38, entitled "An act for the relief of Capt Langtree as Special Commissioner under act of the General Assembly approved November 18th 1861,"

No 44, entitled, an act to amend the law in regard to attachments —

No 50, entitled, an act for the relief of Nathan Drewer of Madison County Ark Kansas —

No 53, entitled, an act for the more effectual punishment

of slaves for arson larceny &c
No 54, entitled an act to repeal an act entitled an act to remove the free negroes and mulattoes from this State
No 55, entitled an act to make certain free negroes now in this State slaves for life –
Said seven Senate bills are herewith transmitted for the assent of your honorable body, which is respectfully asked –
J. D. Kimbell Secy Senate

Upon the motion to lay the amendment of Mr Scott on the table – Mr Scott called for the ayes and noes, the calls was sustained, and the roll was called – Those members who voted in the affirmative were
Messers Bradshaw, Byrd, Cochran, Collins of Drew, Connelly, English, Fenton, Fizer, Gantt, Goodwin of Columbia, Goodwin of Union, Hammack, Hamilton, Harding, Harrison, Haynes, Howell, Hurt, Jenkins, Jones of Hot Spring, Lafferty, Lenning, Lowry, Martin, McCollum, McFadden, Mosely, Murphy, Neal, Oliver, Pettigrew, Pettus, Phillips, Porter, Powell, Pinkins, Richardson, Robins, Stoddard, Teague, Tucker, Tuttle, Warner, Welborn, Wilcoxen, Williams of Union, Williamson, Wilson, Wycough, Wynne & Mr Speaker. – 51 ayes.

Those members who voted in the negative were Messrs. Baker, Barnes, Carnall, Fletcher, Harris, Holt, Pennington & Scott – 8 noes –

So the amendment was laid on the table –
Mr Carnall offered the following amendment, Amend Section 2 by adding, That the persons who have bought lands from the Company may have a right of pre-emption to 160 acres, but no such right shall attach to any other settler on any of such lands, whose preemption has not been secured to him by previous legislation –

Mr Pinkins moved to lay the amendment on the table – upon which motion Mr Carnall called for the ayes and noes, the call was sustained and the roll called – Those members who voted in the affirmation were Messrs Barnes, Bradshaw, Byrd, Cochran, Collins of Bradley, Collins of Drew, Connelly, English, Fenton, Fizer, Gantt, Goodwin of Columbia, Goodwin of Union, Hammack, Harralson, Harding, Hamilton, Haynes, Holt, Howell, Hurt, Jenkins, Jones of Hot Spring, Lafferty, Lenning, Lowry, Martin, McCollum, McFadden, Mosely, Murphy, Neal, Oliver, Pettigrew, Pettus, Porter, Powell, Pinkins, Richardson, Robins, Russell

Stoddard, Teague, Tucker, Tuttle, Warner, Welborn Wilcoxen, Williams of Macon, Wycough, Wynn & Mr Speaker 52 Ayes -

Those members who voted in the negative were Messrs. Baker, Carnall, Cheatham, Fletcher, Harris Hull, Naylor, Pennington, Scott, Williamson & Wilson 11. noes — So the amendment was laid on the table -

On motion of Mr Oliver the rules were then further suspended and the bill read a 3d time & passed

The title was then adopted as part of the same -

Mr Perkins upon leave presented the following report Mr Speaker - The Committee to whom was referred House bill no 82 "Entitled an act to relieve thirty day volunteers" have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report it back to the House and recommend its passage — Perkins Chm

Which on motion of Mr Warner was adopted -

The following message was received from the Senate by the hands of their Secretary -

Mr Speaker, I am instructed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has passed Senate bill no to be entitled an act to provide for the printing of treasury warrants - Also a joint resolution in relation to procuring plates ~~upon~~ which to print bonds, warrants or notes - in which the assent and concurrence of your honorable body is respectfully asked — D. D. Trimble Secy Senate

On motion of Mr Fries the House then took a recess until 2¼ O'clock P.M.

Quarter past 2, O'clock P.M.

Mr Speaker Called the House to order -

Mr Lowry asked that the regular order of business be suspended, to enable him to introduce a bill, which was granted - and

Mr Lowry introduced House bill no 94, entitled "An act to repeal certain laws relative to levees in Chicot County, and Confer on the County Court of said County the power to levy and collect a specific tax for the purpose of building levees in said County" & for other purposes which was read a first time — On motion of Mr Bradshaw the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time

Mr Martin asked and obtained leave of absence for the Committee on the Penitentiary —

On motion of Mr Bradshaw the rules were

further suspended and House bill no 94, was read a third time and passed, the title was then adopted as part of the same -

House bill no 82, was then taken up, and Mr Barnes offered the following amendment, "amend by adding Capt Dalrymple's Company from Prairie County who went to the battle of Oak Hills" -

Mr Sissel moved to lay the bill and amendment on the table, upon which Mr Perkins called for the ayes and noes the call was sustained and the roll called - Those members who voted in the affirmative were messrs Barnes Bradshaw, Byrd, Cannell, Cheatham, Collins of Drew Connelly, English, Fletcher, Fuver, Gantt, Goodwin of Columbia, Goodwin of Union, Harding, Harris Hanson, Hayne, Horrell, Hull, Jones of Hot Spring Lowry, McCollum, McFadden, Murphy, Olive, Pennington, Pettigrew, Pettus, Phillips, Richardson, Robins, Sissel, Teague, Tucker, Tuttle, Williams of Union, Williamson Wilson & Wynn - 39, ayes

Those members who voted in the negative were messrs Cochran, Fain, Hamelson, Holt, Hurt, Jenkins, Lafferty Malone, Naylor, Neal, Powell, Purkins, Stoddard, Sullivan Sullivan, Wycough & Mr Speaker - 17 noes -

So the bill and amendment was laid on the table

On motion of Mr Collins of Drew the House then took a recess for 10 minutes to allow the Door-Keeper to put the Hall of the House in readiness for the reception of the Senate, ~~for the purpose of going into the Election of State Printer~~ -

The 10 minutes having expired, Mr Speaker called the House to order, and directed the Clerk to inform the Senate that House were then ready to receive them for the purpose of going into the election of State Printer in this Hall - The Senate preceeded by their officers then appeared within the bar of the House and were seated. Mr President of the Senate then announced the object of the convention of the two Houses to be to go into the election of State Printer. The rolls of the two Houses were called and a quorum of each House, as ascertained to be present. -

Mr President of the Senate then announced that nominations were in order -

Mr Sissel nominated Mr James D. Butler
Mr Barnes " Messrs Danley & Holtzman
Mr Moseley " Kirk & Etter - and

Mr Scott nominated Messrs Johnson & Gentes

There being no further nominations the Convention proceeded to ballot -

On the Senate Mr Butler received .. 3 votes
" " " Messrs Danley & Holtzman received 3 "
" " " " Atkin & Etter " 2 "
" " " " Johnson & Gentes " 13 "

Those members of the House who voted for Mr Butler were Messrs Baker, Bradshaw, Carnall, Collins of Bradley, Connelly, Fenton, Fletcher, Hammack, Holt, Howell, Hurt, Jenkins, Lenning, McFadden, Naylor, Richardson, Sisel, Warner, Williams of Union, Wilson & Wycough 21 votes.

Those members who voted for Messrs Danley & Holtzman were Messrs Barnes, Byrd, Cochran, English, Gantt, Harding, Harris, Hanson, Haynes, Lowry, Martin, Pennington, Phillips, & Wellborn - 14 votes -

Those members who voted for Messrs Atkin & Etter were Messrs Cheatham, Fizer, Goodwin of Columbia, Goodwin of Union, McCollum, Mosely, Pettigrew, Pettus, Powell & Robins, - 10 votes.

Those members who voted for Messrs Johnson & Gentes were Messrs Collins of Drew, Fain, Hanahan, Hall, Jones of Hot Spring, Laffitte, Mallory, Murphy, Olvin, Perkins, Scott, Stadard, Teague, Trescott, Tuttle, Wilborn, Wynn & Mr Speaker - 19 votes.

Mr Neal voted for Mr Coleman - 1 vote -

On joint ballot Mr Butler received 24 votes
" " " Messrs Danley & Holtzman received 17 votes
" " " " Atkin & Etter " 12 "
" " " " Johnson & Gentes " 32 "
" " " Mr Coleman " 1 "

Mr President of the Senate announced that neither of the candidates having received a majority of all the votes cast there was no election - So the Convention proceeded to ballot the second time -

2nd Ballot -

On the Senate Mr Butler received 2 votes
" " " Messrs Danley & Holtzman received 5 "
" " " " Atkin & Etter " 2 "
" " " " Johnson & Gentes " 12 "

Those members of the House who voted for Mr Butler were Messrs Baker, Bradshaw, Carnall, Collins of Bradley, Connelly, Fenton, Fletcher, Gantt, Hammack,

Harrison, Holt, Howell, Hurt, Jenkins, Lanning, McFadden Naylor, Neal, Richardson, Russell, Warner, Welborn, Williams of Union, Wilson, & Wycough — 25 votes —

Those members who voted for Messrs Darling & Holtzman were Messrs Barnes, Byrd, Cochran, English, Harding, Harris Haynes, Lowry, Martin, Pennington & Phillips — 11 votes

Those members who voted for Messrs Aiken & Etter were Messrs Cheatham, Furr, Goodwin of Columbia, Goodwin of Union, McCollum, Moseley, Pettigrew, Pettus, Powell, & Robins, — 10 votes —

Those members who voted for Messrs Johnson & Gerks were Messrs, Collins of Drew, Fain, Hardison, Hull, Jones of Hot Spring, Lafferty, Mallory, Murphy, Oliver, Perkins Scott, Stoddard, Teague, Tucker, Tutle, Wilcoxen Williamson, Wynn, & Mr Speaker. — 19 votes

On Joint Ballot Mr Butler received 27 votes
" " " Messrs, Darling & Holtzman received 16 "
" " " " Aiken & Etter " 12 "
" " " " Johnson & Gerks " 31 "

Mr. President of the Senate announced that neither of the candidates having received a majority of all the votes cast, there was no election & the Convention proceeded to ballot the third time

3d Ballot —

In the Senate Mr. Butler received 2 votes
" " " Mrs. Darling & Holtzman " 4 "
" " " " Aiken & Etter " 3 "
" " " " Johnson & Gerks " [illegible]

Those Members of the House who voted for Mr. Butler were Messrs Bates, Bradham, Carnes, Collins of Bradley, Cummings, Fenter Fletcher, Hammond, Harrison, Hutto, Hinson, Hunt, Jenkins, Lanning McFadden, Naylor, Neal, Richardson, Russel, Warner, Welborn Williams of Union, Wilson & Wycough — 24 votes

Those Members of the House who voted for Messrs. Darling & Holtzman were Messrs. Barnes, Byrd, Cochran, English, Harding, Harris, Haynes Lowry, Martin, Pennington & Phillips — 11 votes.

Those Members who voted for Messrs. Aiken & Etter were Messrs. Cheatham, Furr, Gantt, Goodwin of Columbia, Goodwin of Union, McCollum, Moseley Pettigrew, Pettus, Powell & Robins — 11 votes.

Those Members of the House who voted for Messrs. Johnson & Gerks were Messrs. Collins of Drew, Fain, Hardison, Hull, Jones of Hot Springs, Lafferty, Mallory, Murphy, Oliver, Perkins, Scott, Stoddard, Teague, Tucker, Tuttle, Wilcoxen, Williamson, Wynn & Mr. Speaker — 19 votes

On Joint Ballot Mr. Butler received — 26 votes

On Joint Ballot Messrs. Manly & Holtzman received 15 votes
" " " " Aiken & Etter " 14 "
" " " " Johnson & Yeates " 31 "

Mr. President of the Senate announced that neither candidate having received a majority of all the votes cast, that there was no election - so the Convention proceeded to ballot the 4th time.

4th Ballot.

In the Senate Mr. Butler received 3 votes.
" " " Messrs. Manly & Holtzman " 1 "
" " " " Aiken & Etter " 4 "
" " " " Johnson & Yeates " 13 "

Those members of the House who voted for Mr. Butler were Messrs. Butler Bradham Carnall Collins of Bradley Connelly Dantzler Fletcher Hammack Harrison Holt Howell Hunt Jenkins Leming McFadden Naylor Neal Richardson Sisul Warner Welborn Williams of Union Wilson & Wyman — 24 votes.

Those members of the House who voted for Messrs. Manly & Holtzman were Messrs. Barnes Byrd Cochran English Flynn Harding Harris Haynes Pennington & Phillips — 10 votes

Those members of the House who voted for Messrs. Aiken & Etter were Messrs. Chisolm Gantt & Goodwin of Columbia Goodwin of Union Levy McCollum Moseley Pettigrew Pitts Porter & Robins — 11 votes

Those members of the House who voted for Messrs. Johnson & Yeates were Messrs. Collins of Dorchester Hair Haralson Hull Jones of Hot Springs Laffitte Mallory Martin Murphy Olin Perkins Scott Stoddard Teague Tucker Tuttle Wilcox Williams Wyse & Mr. Speaker — 20 votes.

On Joint Ballot Mr. Butler received 27 votes
" " " Messrs. Manly & Holtzman " 11 "
" " " " Aiken & Etter " 15 "
" " " " Johnson & Yeates " 33 "

Mr. President of the Senate announced that neither candidate having received a majority of all the votes cast - there was no election - so the Convention proceeded to ballot the 5th time.

5th Ballot.

Mr. Pennington withdrew the name of Manly & Holtzman.

In the Senate Mr. Butler received 3 votes
" " " Messrs. Aiken & Etter " 5 "
" " " " Johnson & Yeates " 13 "

Those members of the House who voted for Mr. Butler were Messrs. Butler Barnes Bradham Carnall Collins of Bradley, Connelly Dantzler Fletcher Hammack Harris Harrison Holt Howell Hunt Jenkins Leming McFadden Naylor Neal Richardson Sisul Warner Welborn Williams of Union Wilson & Wyman — 26 votes

Those members of the House who voted for Messrs. Aiken & Etter were

Messrs. Cheatham Cochran English Farr Gantt Gardner of Columbia Gardner of Union Harding Haynes Lowry McCollum Mosley Pettigrew Pettus Phillips Powell & Robins — 17 votes.

Those Members of the House who voted for Messrs. Johnson & Yates were Messrs. Byrd Collins of Drew, Dain Haralson Hull Jones of Hot Springs Lafferty Mallory Martin Murphy Oliver Parkins Scott Stoddard Teague Tucker Tuttle Wilcoxon Williamson Wynn & Mr. Speaker — 21 votes.

On Joint Ballot Mr. Butler received 29 votes
" " " Messrs. Aiken & Etter " 22 "
" " " " Johnson & Yates " 34 "

Mr. President of the Senate announced that neither candidate having received a majority of all the votes cast there was no election — so the Convention proceeded to ballot the 5th time.

6th Ballot. —

In the Senate Mr. Butler received 3 votes.
" " " Messrs. Aiken & Etter " 5 "
" " " " Johnson & Yates " 13 "

Those members of the House who voted for Mr. Butler were Messrs. Baker Barnes Carroll Collins of Bradley Connelly Fenter Fletcher Gantt Hammack Harris Harrison Hoit Howell Hunt Jenkins Lenning McGhee Naylor Neal Richardson Sisk Warner Wilson Williams of Union Wilson & Wyatt — 26 votes.

Those Members of the House who voted by Messrs. Aiken & Etter were Messrs. Bradshaw Cheatham Cochran English Farr Gardner of Columbia Gardner of Union Harding Haynes Lowry McCollum Mosley Pettigrew Pettus Powell & Robins — 16 votes.

Those Members of the House who voted for Messrs. Johnson & Yates were Messrs. Byrd Collins of Drew Dain Haralson Hull Jones of Hot Springs Lafferty, Mallory Martin Murphy Oliver Phillips Parkins Scott Stoddard Teague Tucker Tuttle Wilcoxon Williamson Wynn & Mr. Speaker — 22 votes.

On Joint Ballot Mr. Butler received 29 votes
" " " Messrs Aiken & Etter " 21 "
" " " " Johnson & Yates " 35 "

Mr. President of the Senate announced that neither candidate having received a majority of all the votes cast there was no election — so the Convention proceeded to ballot the 7th time.

7th Ballot. —

In the Senate Mr. Butler received 2 votes.
" " " Messrs. Aiken & Etter " 6 "
" " " " Johnson & Yates " 13 "

Those Members of the House who voted for Mr. Butler were Messrs. Baker Barnes Carroll Collins of Bradley Connelly Fletcher Farr Gantt Hammack Harris Harrison Hoit Howell Hunt Jenkins

Leming McFadden Naylor Neal Richardson Sisel Varner Walton Williams of Union Wilson & Wyeough ~ 25 votes.

Those members of the House who voted for Messrs Aiken & Etter were Messrs. Bradshaw Cheatham Cochran English Fenton Goodwin of Columbia, Gardner of Union Harding Haynes Lowry McCollum Manley Pettigrew Pettis Powell & Robins ~ 16 votes.

Those members ~~of the House~~ who voted for Messrs. Johnson & Mattes were Messrs. Byrd Collins of Drew Dain Haralson Hull Jones of Hot Spring Laffitty Mallory Martin Murphy Oliver Phillips Pullins Scott Stoddard Teague Tucker Tuttle Wilcoxen Williamson Wynn & Mr. Speaker ~ 22 votes.

On Joint Ballot Mr. Butler received 27 votes
" " " Messrs. Aiken & Etter " 22 "
" " " " Johnson & Mattes " 35 "

Mr. President of the Senate announced that neither candidate having received a majority of all the votes cast there was no election — so the Convention proceeded to ballot the 8th time.

8th Ballot.

In the Senate Mr. Butler received 2 votes.
" " " Messrs. Aiken & Etter " 6 "
" " " " Johnson & Mattes " 13 "

Those members of the House who voted for Mr. Butler were Messrs Baker Barnes Barnell Collins of Bradley Connelly Fenton Fletcher Furr Gantt Hammack Harrison Holt Howell Hunt Jenkins Leming McFadden Naylor Neal Richardson Sisel Varner Walton Wilson & Wyeough ~ 25 votes.

Those members of the House who voted for Messrs. Aiken & Etter were Messrs Bradshaw Cheatham Cochran English Goodwin of Columbia Gardner of Union Harding Harris Haynes Lowry Martin McCollum Manley Pettigrew Pettis Powell Robins & Williams of Union ~ 18 votes

Those members ~~of the House~~ who voted for Messrs. Johnson & Mattes were Messrs. Byrd, Collins of Drew, Dain, Haralson Hull Jones of Hot Spring Laffitty, Mallory Murphy Oliver Phillips Pullins Scott Stoddard Teague Tucker Tuttle Wilcoxen Williamson Wynn & Mr Speaker ~ 21 votes.

On Joint Ballot Mr. Butler received 27 votes
" " " Messrs. Aiken & Etter " 34 "
" " " " Johnson & Mattes " 34 "

Mr. President of the Senate announced that neither of the Candidates having received a majority of all the votes cast there was no election — ~~Whereupon~~ the Convention proceeded to ballot.

On Motion of Mr. Collins of Drew the Convention took a recess till 7 o'clock this evening.

7 o'clock P.M. Nov. 26th 1872.

The Convention was called to order by Mr President

of the Senate. The Rolls of both Houses were called. a quorum being present. & the Convention proceeded to ballot the 9th time

9th Ballot.

In the Senate Mr. Butler received 1 vote
" " " Mssrs. Aiken & Etter " 8 "
" " " " Johnson & Yates " 12 "

Those members of the House who voted for Mr Butler were Messrs Baker, Barnes, Cannall, Collins of Bradley, Connelly, Fenton, Fletcher, Hammack, Harrison, Holt, Hogwell, Hurt, Jenkins, Lenning, McFadden, Naylor, Neal, Richardson, Rissel, Warner, Welborn, Wilson & Wyckough — 23 votes

Those members who voted for Messrs. Aiken & Etter were Messrs. Bradshaw, Cheatham, Cochran, Furr, Gantt, Goodwin of Columbia, Goodwin of Union, Harding, Harris, Haynes, Loving, McCollum, Mauldy, Pettigrew, Pettus, Phillips, Porter, Powell, Robins, & Williams of Union — 20 votes —

Those members of the House who voted for Mssrs. Johnson & Yates were Mssrs Collins of Dorch. Cain Henderson Hull Jones of Hot Springs Lafferty Mallory Murphy Olive Perkins Scott Stoddard Leagne Tucker Tuttle Wierfen Williamson Wyn & Mr. Speaker — 19 votes

Mssrs. English Martin & Pennington voted for Mssrs. Danley & Hoffman — 3 votes

On Joint Ballot Mr. Butler received 24 votes
" " " Mssrs. Aiken & Etter " 28 "
" " " " Johnson & Yates " 31 "
" " " " Danley & Hoffman " 3 "

Mr. President of the Senate announced that neither candidate having received a majority of all the votes cast there was no election — & the Convention proceeded to ballot the 10th time.

10th Ballot. —

Mr. Pennington again nominated Mssrs. Danley & Hoffman

In the Senate Mssrs. Aiken & Etter received 8 votes
" " " " Johnson & Yates " 12 "
" " " " Danley & Hoffman " 1 "

Those members of the House who voted for Mr. Butler were Mssrs. Cannall Collins of Bradley, Connelly, Fenton, Fletcher, Hammack, Harrison, Holt, Hurt, Jenkins, Naylor, Richardson, Rissel, Warner, Welborn, Wilson & Wyckough — 17 votes

Those members of the House who voted for Mssrs. Aiken & Etter were Mssrs. Butler, Cheatham, Cochran, Furr, Gantt, Goodwin of Columbia, Goodwin of Union, Harding, Harris, Haynes, Hunt, Lenning, Loving, McCollum, McFadden, Mauldy, Neal, Pettigrew, Pettus, Porter, Powell, Robins

& Williams of Union — 23 votes.

Those members of the House who voted for Messrs Johnson & Yates were Messrs. Collins of Dane Dain Hanelson Hull, Jones of Hot Spring, Lafferty Malloy Murphy Olive Parkins Scott Stoddard Teague Trotter Little Wilcox Williamson Wynne & Mr. Speaker ~ 19 votes.

Those members of the House who voted for Messrs. Danley & Hollyman were Messrs. Barnes Bradshaw English Martin Pennington & Phillips ~ 6 votes.

On Joint Ballot Mr. Butler received 17 votes
" " " Messrs. Cotton & Etter " 31 "
" " " " Johnson & Yates " 31 "
" " " " Danley & Hollyman " 7 "

Mr. President of the Senate announced that neither candidate having received a majority of all the votes cast there was no election — & the convention proceeded to Ballot the 11th time.

11th Ballot. —

Mr. Sifrit withdrew the name of Mr. Butler.

In the Senate Messrs. Cotton & Etter received 8 votes
" " " " Johnson & Yates " 11 "
" " " " Danley & Hollyman " 2 "

Those members of the House who voted for Messrs. Cotton & Etter were Messrs. Baker Barnes Carnall Cheatham Cochran Collins of Bradley, Dunlap Fletcher Fox Gantt Goodwin of Columbia Goodwin of Union Hammack Harding Harris Haynes Holt Howell Hunt Jenkins Lanning Lamy McCollum McFadden Manley Naylor Neal Pittman Potts Porter Powell Richardson Robins Sisal League Turner Walker Williams of Union Wilson of Wyeneph & 40 votes

Those members of the House who voted for Johnson & Yates were Messrs. Collins of Dane Connelly Dain Hanelson Hull Jones of Hot Spring Lafferty Malloy Murphy Olive Parkins Scott Stoddard Trotter Little Wilcox Williamson Wynne & Mr. Speaker ~ 19 votes.

Those members of the House who voted for Messrs. Danley & Hollyman were Messrs. Bradshaw English Harrison Martin Pennington & Phillips ~ 6 votes. —

On Joint Ballot Messrs Cotton & Etter received 48 votes
" " " " Johnson & Yates " 30 "
" " " " Danley & Hollyman " 8 "

Mr. President of the Senate then announced that Messrs. Cotton & Etter having received a majority of all the votes cast were duly and legally elected Public Printers

for and during the time prescribed by law.

Mr. President of the Senate then announced that the object of the present convention of the two Houses of the General Assembly had been accomplished, & the Senate then withdrew to their Chamber.

Mr. Speaker then called the House to order

Mr. Carnall presented the following report

Mr. Speaker The committee on Ways & Means have instructed me to report a general Appropriation Bill which is herewith submitted for the consideration of the House. Carnall Ch.

which report was on motion adopted.

House Bill No. 95 entitled An act making appropriations for the year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixty three and for part of the year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixty four, and for balances due from the State" was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Pennington the rules were suspended & the Bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Scott, 100 copies of the Bill were ordered to be printed & made the Special order for Friday next at 10 o'clock in Committee of the Whole House.

Mr. Lowry presented the following report

Mr. Speaker – The Judiciary Committee to whom was referred House Bill No 85 entitled An act to relieve debtors have had the same under advisement, and have instructed me to refer the same back & recommend its rejection — Lowry Ch. Jud. Com.

On motion of Mr. Moseley the report was adopted

Mr. Lowry presented the following report

Mr. Speaker The Judiciary Committee to whom was referred Senate Bill 17 entitled An act to regulate proceedings under Chap. 170 of the Digest have had the same under advisement and have instructed me to report the same back with an amendment herewith submitted & recommend its passage as amended

Lowry Ch. Jud. Com.

On motion of Mr. Collins of Dore the report was adopted.

Mr. Scott offered the following amendment to the Bill – viz. by adding the following proviso to 1st Sec.,

"Provided That publication of confirmation of title shall be made in a newspaper printed in the County where the lands are situate if a newspaper is printed in such County and if none there in the nearest newspaper"

Mr Lowry moved to lay the amendment on the table upon which a division was called and 33 members voted in the affirmative and 19 in the negative — so the amendment was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Hurt the Bill was then read a third time and passed. — The title was adopted as part of same.

On motion of Mr Lowry the House then went into Secret Session on important business. & after some time spent therein,

On motion of Mr. Baker the House adjourned till tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock

John Harrell
Speaker

Hall of House of Representatives
Little Rock, Arkansas, Nov 27th 1862

House met pursuant to adjournment —
Prayer by the Revd Mr McKenzie Chaplain —
The Roll was called, and Mr Neal absent —
The Journal was then read and approved —

Mr Speaker announced that reports from Standing Committees were in order —

Mr Pettigrew presented the following report

Mr Speaker — The Committee on enrollments have examined House bills No 12, 20, 34, 33, 43, 56, 63, 70, 76, 77, 78, 79, and two house resolutions, and have instructed me to report the same correctly enrolled —

Pettigrew Chairman of said Committee

Mr Pettigrew offered the following report

Mr Speaker — The Committee on enrollments delivered to the Governor on the 25th day of Nov 1862 House bills No 24, 36, 41, 45 & 69, Also House Joint Resolution for his approval, and hereby report the same to this House —

Pettigrew Chm of said Comm

Mr Lowry presented the following report

Mr Speaker — The Judiciary Committee to whom was referred House bill No 90 "Entitled an act to extend the powers of the Judges of probate in certain cases" have had the same under advisement and have instructed me to report the same back and recommend its passage —

Lowry Chm Judy Comm

On motion of Mr Wynn the report was adopted and House bill No 90 read a third time & passed, The title was then adopted as part of the same —

Mr Lowry presented the following report —

Mr Speaker — The Judiciary Committee to whom was referred

House bill no 92, Entitled "an act to authorize Justices of the peace to receive & receipt for money in certain cases" have had the same under said advisement and have instructed me to report the same back and to recommend its rejection — Lowry Chm Jud Com

On motion of Mr Carnall the report was adopted —

Mr Martin presented the following report

Mr Speaker — The Committee on the Penitentiary to whom, Senate Joint resolutions, requesting Maj Genl Holmes to transfer persons confined in prison by order of military authorities to the civil authorities, have had the same under advisement & instructed me to report the same back, with the amendments & recommend the passage of the same — Martin Chm Pro tem —

On motion of Mr Warner the report was adopted, and the resolution read a third time, —

Mr Neal appeared in his seat at 9½ Oclock —

Mr Speaker called Mr. Scott to the Chair —

Mr Mallory moved a reconsideration of the vote first taken putting Senate Joint Resolution in regard to persons confined in the penitentiary, on its third reading, in order that he might offer an amendment, upon which motion a division was had and 42 members voted in the affirmative & 11 in the negative — So the vote was reconsidered, and Mr Mallory offered the following amendment —

"Amend by retaining all those in custody while the enemy are in possession of the country where the crimes were committed" —

Mr Mallory moved to adopt the amendment —

The following message was received from the Senate by the hands of their Secretary —

Mr Speaker — I am instructed to inform your honorable body, that the Senate has concurred in House amendments to Senate joint resolution directing payment of the accounts of Lieut Col Jos S. Moore's Battalion —

The Senate has passed the following Senate bills No 40, To be entitled an act for the relief of Mrs Elizabeth Hempstead executrix of Genl Samuel H. Hempstead, decd — No 42, To be entitled an act to encourage the manufacture of Salt, Iron, and Cotton Cards, No 46, To be entitled An act for the relief of John T. Ottiman late Secretary of State — No 48 — To be entitled an act to authorize the County Court of Drew County to construct a bridge — No 57, To be entitled An act to prevent the giving aid and comfort to the enemy

No 60, To be entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Merchants and Planters Insurance Company at Camden approved the 8th January 1853 — No 61, To be entitled an act supplimental to an act passed at the present session of the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas entitled an act to establish the County of Woodruff.—
Which seven Senate bills are herewith transmitted for the assent of your honorable body, which is respectfully asked

The Senate has assented to House bill No 3 to be entitled an act to protect the interests and rights of persons holding certificates of pre=emption to any of the Swamp and over=flowed lands of this State — And also to House bill No 124, entitled an act to amend an act to prohibit the further sale of the public lands of this State and for other purposes — Said two House bills are herewith returned —

The Senate refuses to concur in House Memorial to the Confederate Congress for an amendment to the Conscript Act in respect to persons exempted therefrom by being employed on plantations; which is herewith returned —

John D. Kimbrell Secy Senate

Mr Tucker moved to lay the Senate Joint Resolution & amendment on the table for the present, and make them the special order of the day for tomorrow at 11. Oclock A.M. which was carried —

Mr Speaker announced reports from select Committees, to be in order —

Mr Neal ~~offered~~ the following report —

Mr. Speaker — The Committee of Conference on the part of the House to confer with a similar Committee on the part of the Senate, to consider certain House amendments to Senate Bill No 9, have had the same under consideration, and report that it was the unanimous opinion of the joint Committee that the Senate should concur in the said House amendment which will be so reported to the Senate —

Neal Chairman of House Com

On motion of Mr Fiser the report was adopted.

Mr Moseley ~~[illegible]~~ and obtained leave to introduce House bill No 96, Entitled "An act to conscript Slaves to be used as teamsters, Cooks &c" which was read a first time, On motion of Mr Moseley the rules were suspended and the bill read a second

time – On motion of Mr Furr the bill was then referred to the Committee on Militia

Mr Collins of Drew asked and obtained leave to introduce House bill No 97 entitled "an act to authorize the County Court of Drew County to dispose of a certain lot of land within the limits of Monticello", which was read a first time – On motion of Mr Collins of Drew the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time & on motion of Mr. Haynes the rules were further suspended & the bill read a third time & passed – The title adopted as part of same.

Mr. Barnes on leave introduced House Bill No. 98, entitled An Act to repeal the pay of the Associate Justices of the County Court of Prairie County. Which was read a first time

On motion of Mr. Barnes the rules were suspended & the Bill read a second time,

On motion of Mr. Williamson the rules were further suspended & the Bill read a third time & passed – The title was adopted as part of same.

Mr. Haynes on leave introduced House Bill No. 99. entitled An Act to authorize the commissioner for common schools in Desha County to relain certain papers to the Treasurer of Drew. – Which was read a first time

On motion of Mr. Collins of Drew the rules were suspended & the Bill read a second time. – & on motion of Mr. Dunn the rules were further suspended & the Bill read a third time & passed. – The title was adopted as part of same.

Mr. Carruth introduced the following House Joint resolution Whereas it has from time to time been the custom of the General Assembly of this State to pass resolutions approving and endorsing the conduct of her distinguished citizens both civil & military.

And Whereas without intending anything derogatory to the military reputation of any officer of this state it is hereby

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that the thanks of this body be and the same are hereby tendered to Brig. Gen. W. L. Cabell and the officers and soldiers of his Brigade for their gallant and heroic conduct at the late battle at Corinth Miss.

Resolved further that our Senators in Congress be instructed & Representatives requested to use their influence in Congress and with the President of this Confederacy for the promotion of Brig. Gen. Cabell for his distinguished services to the Confederacy at Corinth and from thereto. – Which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Lisle the rules were suspended & the Resolution read a second time. — & On his motion the rules were further suspended & the Resolution read a third time and adopted.

Mr. Warner of Lenn introduced House Bill No. 100 entitled An act to repeal all laws prohibiting the distillation of grain into spirituous liquors. — Which was read a first time. — Mr. Murphy moved to suspend the rules that the Bill might be read a second time — which being objected to — a division was had and 30 members voted in the affirmative and 17 in the negative — So the rules were suspended & the Bill read a second time.

Mr. Howell moved that the rules be suspended that the Bill might be read a third time — to which there being objections the vote was taken & 34 voted in the affirmative & 18 in the negative & 2/3 present not voting in the affirmative the rules were not suspended.

Mr. Collins of Orw. moved that the Bill be laid on the table for the present & made the special for this evening at 7 o'clock.

Mr. Fair moved to amend the motion by saying until the 4th of July — when which motion Mr. Fair called for the Ayes & Noes — which call being sustained the vote was called

Those members voting in the affirmative were Messrs. Baker Barnes Bradshaw Byrd Chenthain Cochran Farr Goodwin of Columbia Hammack Haralson Harding Harrison Hayes Hoch Hull Jenkins Laning Lowry McCollum Stayton Steel Olivia Phillips Scott Tucker Tuttle Williams of Union Williamson Wilson Wyman & Mr. President — 31.

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs. Cannon Collins of Bradley, Collins of Orw, Connelly English Fain Gantt Goodwin of Union Harris Howell Hunt Jones of Hot Spring Lafferty Mallory Martin McFadden Mosley Murphy Pennington Pettigrew Pettus Porter Powell Perkins Richardson Robins Sisel Stoddard Teague Warner Welborn Wilcox & Wynne — 33. — So the amendment was lost

The vote was taken on Mr Collins motion which was carried.

Mr. Powell offered the following resolution

Resolved that no new Bill or Resolution shall be considered in this House until all unfinished business has been disposed of. — Which on motion of Mr. Collins of Orw was adopted.

On motion the Senate Calendar was then taken up.

Senate Bill No. 60 entitled An act to amend an act

entitled an act to incorporate the Merchants & Planters Insurance Co. at Camden approved 8 January 1853. — Which was read a first time

On motion of Mr. Dunn the rules were suspended & the Bill read a second time. On motion of Mr. Hunt the rules were further suspended & the Bill read a third time & passed. The title was adopted as part of same.

Mr. Collins of Orangeburg called up Senate Bill No. 42 entitled An act to encourage the manufacture of Rail Iron & Cotton Cards, which was read a first time On motion of Mr. Collins of Orangeburg the rules were suspended & the Bill read a second time. — On motion of Mr. Bradshaw the Bill was referred to the Committee on Judiciary

Senate amendment to House Bill No. 68 was read & on motion of Mr. Neal was concurred in.

Senate Bill No. 50. entitled an act for the relief of Nathan Dixon of Madison Co. was taken up & read a first time. — On motion of Mr. Hunt the rules were suspended & the Bill read a second time.

Mr. Cunnee moved to amend by inserting after the word "Treasury" the words. "set aside for paying pensions" — which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Bradshaw the rules were further suspended & the Bill read a third time & passed — The title was adopted as part of same.

Senate Bill No. 44 entitled an act to amend the law in regard to attachments was taken up and read a first time — On motion of Mr. Warner the rules were suspended & the Bill read a second time

On motion of Mr. Harding the Bill was referred to the committee in Judiciary.

Mr. Pettus called up Senate Bill No. 57. entitled an act to prevent the giving aid & comfort to the enemy which was read a first time. — & on motion of Mr. Dunn the rules were suspended & the Bill read a second time. — & on motion of Mr. Lowry the Bill was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senate Bill No 38, entitled an act for the relief of Calvin Laughne as Special Commissioner under act of the General Assembly approved Nov. 18, 1861, which was read a first time. On motion of Mr. Cornell the rules were suspended & the Bill read a second time. & on his motion the rules were further suspended & the Bill read a third time & passed. — The title was adopted as part of the same

Substitute Senate Bill No. 33 entitled an act to amend Chapter 60. of the Digest in relation to Dower — Was taken up read a first time on motion the rules were suspended & the Bill read a second time — & on motion of Mr. Mosely the Bill was referred to the committee on Judiciary —

Senate amendment to House bill No 23, was taken up, and on motion of Mr Neal not concurred in —

Senate Bill No 55, entitled "an act to manse certain free negroes now in this State slaves for life was taken up and read a first time, On motion of Mr McCollum the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time, and on his further motion was referred to the Judiciary Committee —

Senate Bill No 54, Entitled an act to repeal an act entitled an act to remove the free negroes and mulattoes from this State was taken up and read a first time On motion of Mr Petters, the rules were suspended & the bill read a second time, On motion of Mr Harding the bill was then referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

Senate bill No 53, entitled "an act for the more effectual punishment of slaves for arson larceny &c. was taken up and read a first time — On motion of Mr Robins the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time, Mr Hurt moved to suspend the rules and read the bill a third time which was objected to, and a division was had and 19 voted in the affirmative, which not being 2/3 the rules were not suspended — On motion of Mr Tucker the bill was referred to the Committee on Ways & means —

Senate Joint Resolution relative to procuring plates from which to permit bonds, warrants, or notes for the State, was read a first time, On motion of Mr Petters the rules were suspended and the resolution read a second time — On motion of Mr Furr the rules were further suspended and the resolution read a third time and adopted —

Senate bill No 58, Entitled an act to provide for the printing of treasury warrants, was taken up and read a first time, On motion of Mr Barnwell the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time, Mr Harding moved to refer the bill to the Committee on ways & means, which was lost —

On motion of Mr Caswell the rules were further suspended the bill read a third time and passed The title was then adopted as part of the same

Senate bill no 48, Entitled "an act to authorize the County Court of Drew County to construct a bridge, was taken up and read a first time - On motion of Mr Collins of Drew the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time - On motion of Mr English the rules were suspended and the bill read a third time, and on the question of its final passage the bill was rejected -

Senate Bill no 46 - Entitled an act for the relief of John P. Strinnan late Secretary of State was taken up and read a first time - On motion of Mr English the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time - On motion the bill was then referred to the Committee on Claims

Senate Bill no 40, Entitled "an act for the relief of Mrs Elizabeth Hempstead Executrix of Samuel H. Hempstead dec'd" was taken up and read a first time - On motion of Mr English the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time - Mr Lafferty moved to refer the bill to the Judiciary Committee which was lost - On motion of Mr Harding the bill was then referred to the Committee on Claims

Senate bill no 61 - entitled an act supplemental to an act establishing the County of Woodruff was taken up and read a first time - On motion of Mr Martin the rules were suspended & the bill read a second time; On motion of Mr Harding the rules were further suspended and the bill read a third time, and passed - The title was then adopted as part of the same -

On motion of Mr Moseley the House took a recess until 7 O'clock this evening -

7 O'clock P.M.

Mr Speaker called the House to order -

On motion of Mr Collins of Drew the House went into Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering House bill no 100, which was the special order for that hour, Mr Murphy in the Chair -

After some time spent in consideration of the

same the Committee rose and through their Chairman made the following report –

Mr Speaker – The Committee of the whole house to whom was referred House bill No 100, entitled "an act to repeal all laws prohibiting the distillation of grain into spirituous liquors", have had the same under consideration and have instructed me to report the bill back to the House, with amendments, and recommend its passage as amended – Murphy Chm Com. of the whole House

which on motion was adopted –

Mr Collins of Drew moved that the rules be suspended and the bill read a third time, and put upon its final passage – which was objected to, and a division being had 40 members voted in the affirmative, and 7 in the negative – No quorum voting – Mr Holt moved that the House adjourn to tomorrow morning at 9 O'clock, upon which a division was called for and 23 members voted in the affirmative and 23 in the negative, which being a tie – Mr Speaker voted in the affirmative – So the House adjourned to to morning at 9 O'clock –

John Harrell
Speaker

Hall of the House of Representatives
Little Rock, Ark, Nov 28th 1862

House met pursuant to adjournment –
Prayer by the Reverend Mr McKenzie Chaplain –
The roll was called and Mr. Fenton was absent –
The Journal was then read and approved –

On motion of Mr Neal the House went into secret session on important business, and after some time spent therein, the doors of the hall were again opened – And Mr Speaker announced that reports from Standing Committees were in order –

Mr Collins of Drew presented the following report –

Mr Speaker – The Committee on claims to whom was referred a bill entitled an act for the relief of John P. Strinman beg leave to report, that they have had the same under consideration and return the bill to the House and recommend its passage

Collins of Drew Chairman

which on motion was adopted –

On Motion of Mr Tucker Senate bill No 46, Entitled "an act for the relief of John P. Strinman late Secretary of State was read a third time and passed, in the title was

then adopted as part of the same –
Mr Collins of Drew presented the following report –
Mr Speaker – The Committee on claims to whom was referred Senate bill entitled "an act for the relief of Mrs Elizabeth Hempstead executrix of Samuel H. Hempstead deceased – beg leave to report that they have had the same under consideration, and return said bill to the House and recommend its passage –

Collins of Drew – Chairman

On motion of Mr Powell the report was adopted –
On motion of Mr Collins of Drew, Senate bill no 40 was then read a third time and passed, the title was then adopted as part of the same –

Mr Lowry presented the following report –
Mr Speaker – The Judiciary Committee to whom was referred Senate bill No 42, Entitled "an act to encourage the manufacture of salt, iron, & cotton cards", have had the same under advisement and have instructed me to report it back with an amendment herewith submitted, and to recommend its passage as amended –

Lowry Chairman Jud. Committee

which was adopted –
Mr Powell offered the following amendment to the amendment
"Amend the amendment by inserting that any person offending by selling salt for more than three dollars shall forfeit and pay the sum of fifty dollars to be recovered before any Justice of the peace in an action of debt by any person who may sue therefor" –
Mr Robins moved that the amendment to the amendment be adopted –
Mr Mosely moved to lay the amendment and the amendment to the amendment on the table – which was lost – The vote was then taken on the motion of Mr Robins, which was carried –
Mr Cannall offered the following amendment
Provided also "that in case of such failure said land shall revert to the State" – which on motion of Mr Collins of Drew was adopted.
Mr Byrd offered the following amendment
Amend by striking out 160 acres and inserting 640 acres
which on motion was laid on the table –
On motion of Mr Collins of Drew the bill was then read a third time as amended and passed, the title was then adopted as part of the same –
The following message was received from the Governor

Mr Speaker — I am instructed by the Governor to inform your honorable body, that on the 26th day of November 1862 he approved and signed the following acts, to wit;

An act to amend an act entitled "An act to aid the Arkansas Institute for the Blind, which was incorporated on the 4th day of February A.D. 1859 approved January 19 1861 —

An act to amend an act to facilitate the circulation of the Arkansas War bonds and Treasury warrants —

An act for the relief of James L. Morton of Crawford Peter B. Allen of Polk, and Willis Jones of Pike County —

An act amendatory of the act incorporating the Wallace institute of Crawford County —

An act to further extend the provisions of an act concerning the cultivation of cotton approved March 21st 1862

And on the 27th November 1862 he approved and signed —

An Act to repeal Sec 28 of Chapter 154 of the digest of the Statutes of Arkansas, so far as it relates to Sevier County

An act to Constitute Sarah Elizabeth Stevens the legal & sole heir of Daniel Turney of Van Buren County —

An act to Constitute the County Treasurer of Perry County Ex officio School Improvement Commissioner

An act to create the office of Assessor in the Counties of New Jefferson, Columbia, and Calhoun —

An act to amend the Charter of the Cities of Pine Bluff and Greenwood —

An act for the relief of Christopher and Jane Thompson of Scott County —

An act to suspend for the time being the second Land Office of this State and for other purposes —

An act fixing the time for the election of Members of Congress of the Confederate States —

An act to prevent setting prairies on fire

An act amendatory of an act to prevent the distillation of grain into ardent spirits

An act to pay the Secretary of State, Auditor and Treasurer each a specified Salary —

And Resolution instructing our delegation in Congress to have the Memphis and Little Rock Rail road Company reimbursed or paid by the Confederate Government for the destruction of the Bridge across St Francis river, which was destroyed as a military necessity —

Nov 28th 1862 — W M. Mathews Prov Secretary

Executive Office Little Rock, Ark
November 26th 1862

To the Speaker
of the House of Representatives of the State of Arkansas -

I unconditionally pledge myself to use my official position for the purpose of sustaining our Civil Courts and Civil law, - Although it may be thought best to effect this result in a quiet way, with the assent and concurrence of the military authorities. I have the most unlimited confidence that the Confederate Government and officers in Command will observe the law - I have reason to believe that if there be any orders in conflict with your resolutions in relation to martial law they will be rescinded -

While thus assenting to most of the principles declared in your resolutions, I very much doubt whether any declarations on the subject are calculated to do good -

Your Resolutions however would be approved but for the reason that the President or his agents under his direction have power by act of Congress, to suspend the writ of "Habeas Corpus" when deemed necessary this power with the implied powers attending it, are thought to be qualifications at least of the general principles declared in your resolutions, for which reason they are respectfully returned -

H. Flanigin -

The following message was received from the Senate by the hands of their Secretary -

Mr Speaker - I am instructed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has assented to the following House bills -

No 30, to be entitled an act to change the time of holding the Circuit Courts in the third Judicial District

No 81 to be entitled an act for the relief of the County of Washington County - No 84 to be entitled an act supplementary to an act to provide for the election of a tax assessor for the County of Columbia - No 86 to be entitled An act to prevent the sale of Ardent Spirits within two miles of the Paraclifta Accademy - No 87 entitled an act supplemental to an act passed at the present session of the General Assembly for the relief of the families of the western frontier Counties who are destitute of breadstuffs - No 89. entitled an act to abolish the office of Internal Improvements Commissioner for the County of Prairie and for other purposes - And have concurred in House

Joint Resolution requiring the Secretary of State to furnish members of the General Assembly the Second Geological report, and to distribute the same — And has ammended and assented to House bill No 33 entitled an act to suspend the revenue laws of this State and for other purposes — All of which are herewith returned with the ammendments to the latter attached thereto for the concurrence of your honorable body, which is respectfully asked — The Senate has passed Senate bill No 63 to be entitled an act to increase the Salary of the Attorney General — And has adopted a joint resolution tendering the use of the Saline lands belonging to the State to the Major General Commanding the Trans Mississippi District for the purpose of making Salt — Both of which are herewith transmitted for the assent and concurrence of your honorable body which is respectfully asked —

The Senate has ammended and assented to House bill No 88 to be entitled an act for the relief of indigent and needy families of Soldiers; which is herewith returned with the ammendment for the concurrence of your honorable body which is respectfully asked. —

John D. Kimbell Secy Senate

The hour of 10, o'clock having arrived the House went into Committee of the whole for the consideration of House bill No 95, which was the Special order for that hour Mr Collins of Drew in the Chair — and after some time spent in consideration of the same the Committee rose and through their Chairman presented the following report —

Mr Speaker — The Committee of the whole House to whom was referred House bill No 95 entitled "an act making appropriations for the year One thousand Eight hundred and Sixty three, and for part of the year One thousand Eight hundred and Sixty four, and for ballances due from the State" have had the same under advisement, and have instructed me to report the same back to the house with sundry ammendments, and recommend its passage as ammended — Collins of Drew Chairman Comm of the whole House

On motion of Mr Pettus the report was adopted

On motion of Mr Pettus the bill was then read a third time as ammended and passed, the title was

then adopted as part of the same -

The hour of 11 o'clock having arrived Senate Joint Resolution Regarding Maj Gen Holmes to transfer persons confined in prison by order of military authorities to the civil authorities - with amendments was then taken up, being the special order for that hour - the question being on the motion to adopt the amendment offered by Mr Mallory - Mr Speaker called Mr Scott to the chair -

The following message was received from the Senate by the hands of their Secretary -

Mr Speaker - I am instructed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has passed Senate bill entitled an act supplemental to an act passed at the present session of this General Assembly entitled "An act for the benefit of the widow and minor heirs of Thomas J. Watts late of Columbia County - which is herewith transmitted for the assent of your honorable body which is respectfully asked

John D. Kimbell

Mr Collins of Drew moved the previous question and Mr Speaker pro tem stated shall the main question be now put, which was decided in the affirmative, and the main question being the amendment offered by the Gentleman from St Francis was then put and decided in the affirmative so the amendment was adopted -

The question then being on the adoption of the resolutions as amended, Mr Powell moved to lay the resolutions on the table - upon which motion

Mr Oliver called for the ayes and noes, the call was sustained and the roll called - Those members who voted in the affirmative were Messrs Bradshaw Cheatham, Cochran, Collins of Drew, English, Furr Gantt, Goodwin of Columbia, Haralson, Harning Haynes, Holt, Hall, Jenkins, Lowry, Mallory, McCollum, Murphy, Oliver Phillips Porter Poole Perkins Robins Scott Stoddard Tucker Tuttle Wyatt Wyn & Mr. Speaker - 31

Those members who voted in the negative were Messrs. Baker Barns Byrd Carnale Dain Fletcher, Gordon of Union Hammack Harris Harrison, Jones of Hot Spring Lafferty Lemley Martin McFadden Manley Napier Neal Pennington Pettigrew Pettus Richardson Sims Teague Warner Welborn Wilcoxon Williams of Union Williamson & Wilson - 30 - So the Resolutions as amended was laid on the table.

On motion the House took a Recess till 2 o'clock p.m.

2, O'clock P.M.

Mr Speaker Called the House to order –

Mr Scott moved to take up Senate Message, Carried –

On motion of Mr Lemmy Senate amendments to House bill No 88, was taken up, and on motion of Mr Scott the House resolved itself into Committee of the whole for the purpose of Considering the same, Mr Pettus in the Chair and after some time spent in consideration of the same the Committee rose and through their Chairman made the following report –

Mr Speaker – The Committee of the whole House to whom was referred Senate amendments to House Bill No 88, entitled "an act for the relief of Widows and needy families of Soldiers", have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report it back to the House, and recommend that the House refuse to concur therein – Pettus, Chairman

Mr Pennington moved that the report be adopted –

upon which motion Mr Scott called for the ayes and noes the Call was sustained and the roll called, Those members who voted in the affirmative were messrs Baker, Barnes Bradshaw, Byrd, Cheatham, Cochran, Collins of Bradley Collins of Drew, Connelly, English, Fain, Fletcher, Gantt Goodwin of Union, Hammack, Harrelson, Harding Harris, Harrison, Haynes, Holt, Hurt, Jenkins Jones of Hot Spring, Lafferty, Lowry, Mallory, McCollum, McFadden, Mosely, Murphy, Naylor Neal, Pennington, Pettigrew, Pettus, Porter, Powell Richardson, Sissell, Tuttle, Warren, Williams of Union, Wilson, Wycough, Wynne & Mr Speaker 47 votes; – Those members who voted in the negative were messrs Furr, Goodwin of Columbia Hull, Lemmy, Martin, Olvin, Pinkins, Robins, Scott, Stoddard, Teague, Tucker, Welborn, Wilcoxen, & Williamson 15 votes – Mr Howell was excused from voting – So the report was adopted –

Mr Lowry Called up, on leave, Senate bill No___ Entitled an act supplimental to an act passed at the present session of this General Assembly Entitled an act for the benefit of the widow and minor heirs of Thomas J. Watts, late of Columbia County, which was read a first time On motion of Mr Lowry the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time, and on his further motion the rules were suspended and the bill read a third

time and passed, the title was then adopted as part of the same –

Mr Pettigrew presented the following report

Mr Speaker – The committee on Enrollments have examined House Bills No 3, 14, 64, 68, 72, 73, and House Joint resolution and have instructed me to report the same correctly Enrolled, Pettigrew Chm said Com.

Mr. Pettigrew presented the following report

Mr. Speaker – The committee on Enrollments delivered to the Governor on the 27th day of Nov. 1862 House Bills No. 12, 20, 34, 38, 43, 58, 63, 70, 76, 77 78 & 79 – and 2 House Joint resolutions for his approval and have instructed me to report the same to this House, – Pettigrew Chm said Com.

Senate Joint resolution, tendering use of the Salina lands to Maj. Gen. Holmes to be used by the government for purpose of making salt, – was taken up and read a first time – & on motion the rules were suspended & the resolution was read a second time & on motion of Mr. Neal the rules were further suspended & the resolution read a third time and adopted.

Senate Bill No. 63, entitled An act to increase the salary of the Attorney General, was taken up & read a first time On motion of Mr. Pennington the rules were suspended & the Bill read a second time, – & on motion of Mr. Harding the rules were further suspended & the Bill read a third time & passed. The title was adopted as part of the same.

Senate amendment to House Bill No. 33 was read and on motion of Mr. Martin was concurred in.

Mr. Scott was called to the chair.

Mr. Porter presented the following report

Mr. Speaker – The Com. to whom was referred a bill entitled An act to provide for home defence and against insurrection by leave to report the same back with an amendment herewith and recommend the passage of the Bill – Porter Chm which report on motion of Mr. Jurr was adopted.

Mr. Jurr moved that the amendment offered by the Committee be adopted. – Mr. Pettus moved to amend the amendment by adding the words "or not subject to conscription" which was adopted – and the amendment as amended was adopted.

Mr. Neal moved to amend 1st sec. by striking out the words "Maj. Gen. Holmes" and inserting "the General Commanding the Trans Miss[illegible] District" – which was adopted. – and

On motion of Mr. Pettus Senate Bill No. 41 entitled An Act to provide for Home defence & against insurrection was read a third time as amended – and passed. The title was adopted as part of same.

Mr. Lacy presented the following report

Mr. Speaker – The Judiciary Committee to whom was referred

Senate Bill No. 57, entitled An Act to prevent the giving aid and comfort to the enemy have had the same under advisement and have instructed me to refer it back and recommend its passage Lowry Chm. Jud. Com.

Which report was on motion adopted

On motion of Mr. Collins of Dow the Bill was then read a third time and passed. — The title was adopted as part of the same.

The following Message was received from the Senate by the hands of their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker. I am instructed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has refused to concur in the first amendment of the House to Senate Bill No. 42, entitled An Act to encourage the Manufacture of Salt, Iron and Leather Leads, which amendment proposes to fix the price of Salt to be manufactured under the provisions of said Bill at $3 per bushel.

The Senate has concurred in the second amendment of the House to said Bill. — The Bill is herewith returned with its amendments J. W. Kimball Sec. Senate.

Mr. Porter presented the following report.

Mr. Speaker — The Committee to whom House Joint Resolution was referred, by leave to report it back to the House with an amendment herewith, & recommend the passage of the resolution. — Porter Chm.

On motion of Mr. Olin the report was adopted. and on motion of Mr. Fuller the amendment offered by the committee was read and adopted. — and on his motion the resolution as amended was read a third time and adopted.

Mr. Porter presented the following report

Mr. Speaker — The Committee to whom House Bill No. 50 was referred have had the same under consideration and would by leave to report the same back and recommend its passage Porter Chm.

On motion of Mr. Fuller the report was adopted

On motion of Mr. Neal the Bill was read a third time and passed. — The title was adopted as part of same.

On motion of Mr. English the message of the Senate refusing to concur in the 1st amendment of the House to Senate Bill No. 42, which amendment fixed the price of Salt manufactured under the provisions of the Bill at $3 pr. bushel, was then taken up & on motion of Mr. Pennington the House receded from its amendment.

Mr. Porter presented the following report:

Mr. Speaker – The Committee on Militia have had House Bill No. 96 under consideration, moved by leave to report it back to the House & recommend its passage. – Potter Chm. pro. tem.

The following message from the Senate was received by the hands of their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker – I am instructed to inform your Honorable body that the Senate insists to its amendment to House Bill No. 23 to be entitled An act to prevent the issuing of Executions, in which amendment the House has refused to concur. – The Senate therefore requests a committee of Conference on said amendment and Messrs. Stillwell, Williams and Davis are appointed the committee on the part of the Senate.

J. W. Kimball Sec. Sen.

On motion the report of the Committee on Militia was adopted

Mr. Farr moved to amend by striking out the words "fifty five" and inserting "thirty" and "forty" in lieu thereof – and upon the question of its adoption a division was called for, and 15 members voted in the affirmative and 6 voted in the negative – so the amendment was adopted.

Mr. Martin moved to lay the Bill and amendments on the table – which motion was lost.

Mr. Williams of Union moved to amend by striking out the word "teamsters" – which on motion of Mr. English was laid on the table.

Mr. Lowry moved to amend by adding to the 2d sec. "Provided – that this act shall not apply where persons do not own more than five negro men." –

Mr. Harding moved to lay the amendment on the table which was lost. – & on motion of Mr. Robins the amendment was adopted. –

On motion of Mr. Neal the Bill was read a third time as amended and passed. The title was adopted as part of same.

Mr. Neal presented the following report:

Mr. Speaker. – The Judiciary Committee to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 33, have had the same under consideration and a majority of the Committee have instructed me to report it back to the House and recommend its rejection. – Neal. Chm.

On motion of Mr. Farr the report was rejected.

On motion of Mr. Goodwin of Union the Bill was read a third time, – and on the question of the passage of the Bill Mr. Teague called for the Ayes & Noes, which call being sustained, the Roll was called.

Those Members who voted in the affirmative were Messrs. Baker Barnes Bradshaw Chatham, Collins of Bradley

Collins of New Hain Hurr Gunn Gordon of Columbia, Gordon of Union, Hammack Harris Haynes Hall Howell Hull Hunt Jenkins Lafferty Leming Levy Mallory Martin McCollum McFadden Moseley Naylor Pettigrew Pettus Phillips Porter Richardson Robins Scott Sissel Teague Tucker Warner Williams of Union, Wilson Wyatt Wynn & Mr. Speaker — 43.

Those members who voted in the negative were Messrs. Byrd Cochran Connelly English Fletcher Harding Harrison Jones of Hot Spring, Neal Oliver Remington Pence Stoddard Tittle Welborn & Wilcoxen — 16.

So the Bill passed. — The title was adopted as part of same.

Mr. Levy presented the following report.

Mr. Speaker. — The Judiciary Committee to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 44 — entitled An act to amend the law in regard to attachments, have had the same under advisement and have instructed me to refer it back with an amendment herewith submitted, and recommend its passage as amended.

Levy Ch^n Jud^y Com.

Which report on motion was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Martin the Bill was read a third time and passed. — The title was adopted as part of same.

Mr Levy presented the following report.

Mr. Speaker. — The Judiciary Committee to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 54. entitled An Act to repeal an act entitled An Act to remove the free negroes and mulattoes from this State have had the same under advisement, and have instructed me to refer it back to the House and recommend its rejection

Levy Ch^n Jud^y Com.

Mr. Harding offered the following minority report by way of amendment: Amend by striking all out after the enacting clause and insert the following. That all free negroes and mulattoes that were in the State of Arkansas on the 12th day of February 1859 and that are now within the State shall be and are hereby authorized and permitted to remain within the limits of the State of Arkansas, until six months after the Conclusion of Peace between the United States and the Confederate States of America, without being ~~being~~ subject to the provisions of the Act to remove the free negroes and mulattoes from this State, approved 12th February 1859.

The question being on the adoption of the Majority report a division was called for and 27 members voted in the affirmative and 25 voted in the negative. — So the majority report was adopted.

Mr. Levy presented the following report.

Mr. Speaker. — The Judiciary committee to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 55. entitled An act to make certain free negroes now in this State slaves for life, have had the same under advisement and have instructed me to refer it back and recommend its rejection. Lenny ch^m Jud^y Com.

Which report was on motion adopted.

On motion that portion of the Senate message requesting a committee of conference on House Bill No. 23. was concurred in — and Mr. Speaker appointed as such committee on the part of the House, Messrs. Neal Harding and Williamson

On motion the House took a recess till 7 o'clock p. m.

7 o'clock p. m. Nov. 28th 1862

The House was called to order by Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Jones of Hot Springs moved to suspend the rules and order of business to enable him to introduce a bill — upon which a division was had and 28 members voted in the affirmative and 28 votes in the negative — so the motion was lost.

House Bill No. 100 was then taken up

Mr. Collins of Drew moved to read the Bill a third time — upon the passage of the bill Mr. Holt called for the ayes & noes — which call being sustained the Roll was called,

Those members who voted in the affirmative were Messrs. Baker Cornell Cheatham Collins of Bradley Collins of Drew, Connelly English Fletcher Gardner of Columbia Gardner of Union, Hammack Harding Harris Haynes Hart Jones of Hot Springs Mallory Martin McGladdery Moseley Murphy Olivier Pennington Pettijohn Pettus Porter Powell Perkins Richardson Robins Sisal Trapnell Warner Welborn, Williamson Wynne — 38 —

Those members who voted in the negative were Messrs. Barnes Broadway Byrd Cochran Davis Harrison Holt Hull Jenkins Lenning McCollum Taylor Neal Phillips Scott Stoddard Tucker Wilcoxen Watson Wyncoop & Mr. Speaker — 21. —

So the Bill was passed. Title was adopted as part of same

On Senate Joint resolution to prevent the Keeper of the Penitentiary from receiving persons in that institution who are not sentenced by Judicial Tribunals — was taken up and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Pennington laid on the table.

Mr. Jones of Hot Springs, on leave, introduced

House Bill No. 101. entitled. an act for the relief of Wm Ogle late Sheriff & Collector of Hot Spring County for the year 1862, which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Sissel the rules were suspended and the Bill read a second time.

On motion of Mr. Murphy the rules were further suspended & the Bill read a third time & passed The title was adopted as part of the same.

The following message was received from the Senate by the Hands of their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker — I am instructed to inform your Honorable body that the Senate insists upon its amendment to House Bill No. 88. to be entitled An act for the relief of ~~indigent~~ indigent and needy families of Soldiers, and requests a committee of conference thereon — Messrs. Williams & Hampton are appointed such committee on the part of the Senate, — The Senate has adopted a Joint Resolution to provide for the examination of the Auditor's & Treasurers Books which is hereunto transmitted for the concurrence of your Honorable body which is respectfully asked. Jno D Kimbell Sec. Senate.

On motion of Mr. Collins of Drew the message just received from the Senate was taken up

On motion of Mr. Collins of Drew the House agreed to the Committee of Conference requested by the Senate & Mr. Speaker appointed as such Committee on the part of the House, Messrs. Larry Collins of Drew & Neal. — Mr. Larry asked to be excused from serving on said committee but the House refused to grant the request.

Senate Joint Resolution to provide for a commission of ~~Examination~~ examination of the Auditors & Treasurers Books — was taken up & read a first time, On motion the rules were suspended and the Resolution read a second time, [redacted] the rules were suspended and the Resolution read a third time, and on the question of its adoption, Mr Furr called for the ayes & noes, the call being sustained, the roll was called, those members who voted in the affirmative were Messrs. Battle Byrd, Carnall, Chatham, Cochran, Collins of Bradley, Connelly English, Fletcher, Gantt, Goodwin of Columbia, Goodwin of Union, Haimnaore, Harding, Harris, Harrison, Haynes Holt, Hull, Jenkins, Jones of Hot Spring, Lenning, Mallory Martin, McCollum, McFadden, Moseley, Murphy, Olivia

Pennington, Pettigrew, Porter, Pankins, Richardson, Robins, Stoddard Teague, Tucker, Welborn, Williamson, Wilson, Wycough, Wynne & Mr Speaker — 44 votes —

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs Barnes, Bradshaw, Fain, Furr, Hurt, Naylor, Potter, Phillips, Scott, Sissell, Warner & Wilcoxon — 12 votes —

So the resolution was adopted

Mr Harding on leave introduced House bill No 102, Entitled an act for the relief of certain persons in Desha County, which was read a first time, On motion of Mr Tucker the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time — On motion of Mr Harding ~~thereof that the bill be~~ referred to the Judiciary Committee — Mr English moved to lay the bill on the table — which was carried —

Mr Williamson introduced House Bill No 103, entitled "An act regulating the price of swamp and overflowed lands in the Counties of Pottle and Montgomery" — which was read a first time — On motion of Mr Hurt the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time On motion of Mr Cornall the bill was then referred to the Committee on swamp and overflowed lands,

Mr Furr introduced House Bill No 104, Entitled "An act for the relief of the Louisiana, Texas, and Arkansas Navigation Company", which was read a first time, On motion of Mr Sissel the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time — On motion of Mr Sissel the rules were further suspended and the bill read a third time and passed, the title was then adopted as part of the same —

Mr Naylor presented the following report —

Mr President — The Special Committee to whom was referred the subject matter contained in the governors communication in reference to the condition of the 5 per cent fund have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report the following Resolution and request its adoption —

Naylor Chairman

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas That the Auditor of Public accounts be and he is hereby required to open an account in the books of his Office, with the five per cent fund and to credit said fund with the sum of $61.065.17. for moneys of said fund received from the United State under the compact between the United States and this date dated

June 25th A.D. 1836 before the first day of January A.D. 1841, which sum was placed in the Bank of the State of Arkansas as a part of its Capital and that said sum bear an annual interest of 6 per cent from said last mentioned day, Also with the sum of $1800 to bear a like interest from the 25th day of May 1849, being for money applied by the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States to the payment of interest on the Bonds of this State issued to said Bank, Also with the sum of $143.267.56, with a like rate of interest to be computed from the several periods as reported by the Secretary of the Treasury of the U.S. to the Executive of this State as being due to said fund, and applied by said Secretary to the payment of interest on the bonds of this State issued to the Real Estate Bank, And that said Auditor charge said fund with the sum of forty thousand dollars for Stock subscribed to the Mississippi Ouachita and Red River Railroad Company, and with the sum of forty thousand dollars as Stock subscribed to the Memphis and Little Rock Railroad Company, And said charge to be made as of the day said money was paid to said several Companies, appropriated under an act Entitled an act to authorize the Governor to subscribe for Stock in certain Railroads therein named; Also with the sum of one hundred thousand dollars, for money of said fund loaned to the Memphis and Little Rock Railroad Company at 8 per cent interest per annum under an act Entitled an act to encourage internal improvement approved January 3rd 1861, the last mentioned sum to be charged as of the day said money was paid to said Railroad Company

Resolved further, That the Stock so subscribed as aforesaid and the money so loaned shall be understood and is hereby declared to belong to said five per cent fund and all interest or dividends arising from said Stock or money loaned shall be paid into the Treasury of this State for the sole use and benefit of said fund and shall be so credited by the said Auditor

Be it further Resolved That the President & Directors of said several Railroad Companies be and are hereby required to make and forward to the Governor of this State an annual Exhibit of the fiscal affairs of their said Companies respectively, which exhibits shall be by said Auditor laid before the General Assembly of this State together

with the statement of the condition of said five per cent which was read a 1st time on motion the rules were suspended and the resolutions found in his biennial report read a 2d time

On motion of Mr Goodwin of Union the rules were further suspended and the resolutions were read a third time and adopted

Mr Fletcher introduced House bill No 105 Entitled

An Act to amend an Act Entitled an Act concerning the Cultivation of Cotton Appd March 21st 1862

which was read a first time on motion the bill was laid on the table

Mr Pennington offered the following resolution

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas That our Senators and Representatives in the Confederate Congress be and are hereby requested to urge the passage of a bill authorizing the various Medical directors or purveyors to establish dispensarys for the purpose of furnishing medicines to the families of Soldiers engaged in the service of of the Confederate States

which was read a first time on motion of Mr Mallory the rules were suspended and the resolution read a second time - on motion of Mr Mallory the rules were further suspended and the resolutions read a third time & adopted

On motion of Mr Massey the House adjourned until tomorrow morning 9 o'clock

John Harrell Speaker

Hall of the House of Representatives
Little Rock Ark
Nov 29 - 1862

House met pursuant to adjournment
Prayer by the Revd Mr McKenzie Chaplain
The roll was called and Mr Fenton was absent
On motion of Mr Scott the reading of the journal was dispensed with for the present
Mr Speaker announced that reports from standing committees were in order
Mr Pettigrew offered the following report

Mr Speaker

The Committee on enrollments have examined house bill No 65 and have instructed me to report the same correctly enrolled excepting the omission of the word "Have," in the first lines of sections 12 & 21 which words we have inserted Pettigrew Chairman of said Committee

Mr Pettigrew offered the following report

The Committee on enrollments delivered to the Governor, house bills No 3, 14, 64, 68, 72, & 73 also house joint resolution; on the 28th day of Nov 1862 for his approval and hereby report the same to this house.

Pettigrew Chairman of said Committee

Mr Bradshaw presented the report of J J Dawson Internal improvement Commissioner of Searcy County

Mr Pennington offered the following resolution

Resolved by the General assembly of the State of Arkansas That all the specie now in treasury of the State shall be turned over to the Qr whose duty it shall be to take the specie and use it for the purpose of buying Mideaness Cotton ~~&~~ woollen cards or for any other article or things that he may think necessary for the use of the Soldiers families and those that need assistance ~~Pennington~~

which was read a first time and on motion of Mr Fletcher the rules were suspended and the resolution read a 2d time. Mr Harding moved to lay the resolution on the table upon which a division was had, 26 members voting in the affirmative and 23 in the negative No quorum having voted Mr Fletcher called for the ayes and nays and the call was sustained and the roll called those members who voted in the affirmative were Messrs Byrd, Carnall, Cochran Collins of Bradley, English, Fain, Fenn, Hammack Harding, Harrison, Haynes, Hull, Hurt, Jenkins Jones of Hot Spring, Lowry, Martin, McCallum, McHaddon, Moseley, Murphy, Naylor Olivan Pettigrew Pettus, Phillips, Porter, Powell, Richardson Robins Scott, Sefell, Tucker, Tullis, Warner, Welborn, Wilcox Williamson Wynn, and Mr Speaker, 40 Ayes. Those members voting in the negative were Messrs

Baker, Barnes, Bradshaw, Cheatham, Fletcher, Garrett, Goodwin of Columbia, Goodwin of union, Havalson, Harris, Holt, Lafferty, Lewing, Mallory, Pennington, Teague, Williams of union, and Wilson 18 Nays so the resolution was laid on the table

Mr Lafferty offered the following resolution

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas That our Senators in the Confederate Congress be instructed and our Representatives requested to use their influence to continue the mail route from Quitman post office in Cauthuron County Arkansas by Miller's point Kinderhook, Rejsville, to Mount Olive in Izard County once a week on horse back which was read a 1st time. Mr Bradshaw moved a suspension of the rules and resolution read a 2d time on motion of Mr Powell the rules were further suspended and the resolution read a third time and adopted

Mr Speaker laid before the House the following communication from the Treasurer of State containing information required of him to be made by resolution which was adopted by the House Nov. 22d 1862

Treasurers Office
Little Rock Arkansas.
Nov 24th 1862

To the Honorable
the Speaker
of the House of Representatives
Little Rock Ark

Sir

A copy of resolution passed by your Honorable Assembly was handed me late Saturday Evening, and I herewith enclose the required information" viz;

Balance Specie in the Treasury on the Morning of 22d January 1861 amounted to	332. 953	43
Received from same date to the 1st October 1862	543. 711	22
Total on hand and received	876. 064.	65
Amount payments from the 22d Jany. 1862 to 1st Oct 1862	817. 444.	98
Balance in Treasy 1st Oct. 1862	$ 58 619	67

This balance is made up of the following funds viz:

On ordinary Revenue a/c	7.083	95
" Int Insp Fund "	3.602	29
" Seminary " "	2.749	33
" Saline " "	563	21
" Swamp Land " "	13.908	56
" County Tax due counties "	5.551	94
" Escheats "	21	72
" Common School fund "	124	00
" Money seized of U S "	3.501	10
To pay interest on war Bonds	19.513	57
Balance as above shown	$ 58.619	67

The payments above referred to were made out of the following appropriations at the dates and to the persons as follows

To pay Governors Salary

Date		To whom paid	no of Aud warr	
1861				
April	1	Henry M. Victor	629	$ 625 00
July	1	Henry M Victor	1214	625 00
Sept	30	H. M. Victor	1783	625 00
		Governors Salary pd in specie		$ 1875 00
1861		Salary of Governors private secretary		
April	1	W. M. Matheney	620	250 00
July	1	W. M. Matheney	1206	250 00
Sept	30	Wm M Matheney	1776	250 00
		Private secretary pd in specie		$ 750 00
1861		Treasurers Salary		
Febry	2	James A Marten	298	139 70
April	1	O Basham	624	163 92
July	1	O Basham	1213	250 00
Sept	30	O Basham	1766	250 00
		Treasurer paid in specie		$ 803 62
1861		Auditors Salary		
April	2	W. R. Miller	634	300 00
July	1	W. R. Miller	1202	300 00
Sept	30	W. R. Miller	1750	300 00
		Auditor paid in specie		$ 900 00
1861		Secretary of State Salary		
April	9	Jno I Stirman	653	352 77
July	1	Jno. I. Stirman	1204	250 00
Sept	30	Jno I Stirman	1755	250 00
		Secretary of State pd in specie		$ 852 77

1861		Judges Supreme Court Salaries			
April	1	J.W. Compton	607	625	00
"	"	H.H. Fairchild	608	625	00
"	"	E.H. English	612	625	00
July	1	H.H. Fairchild	1199	625	00
"	"	E.H. English	1200	625	00
"	2	J.W. Compton	1218	625	00
Sept	30	E.H. English	1753	625	00
"	"	J.W. Compton	1754	625	00
Oct	7	H.H. Fairchild	1857	625	00
		Supreme Judges pd in Specie		$5625	00
1861		Reporter of Supreme Court Salary			
April	16	L.E. Barber	660	100	00
July	2	L.E. Barber	1220	100	00
Oct	7	L.E. Barber	1836	100	00
		Reporter paid in Specie		$300	00
1861		Judges Circuit Courts Salaries			
Jany	22	Wm. R. Cain	264	600	00
Feby	16	L.R. Green	357	900	00
April	5	Jno I Clendenin	644	450	00
"	8	J.C Murray	650	450	00
"	20	W.R. Cain	680	450	00
May	2	Len. B. Green	734	450	00
"	7	J.L. Green	759	450	00
"	8	E.C. Bronaugh	777	450	00
July	1	Jno. I. Clendenin	1205	450	00
"	"	E.C. Bronaugh	1216	450	00
"	4	J.L. Green	1242	450	00
"	6	J.C. Murry	1260	450	00
"	13	L.B. Green	1447	450	00
Aug	13	W.R. Cain	1448	450	00
Sept	30	Jno. I. Clendenin	1770	450	00
Oct	3	E.C. Bronaugh	1818	450	00
"	7	William R Cain	1838	450	00
"	8	J.C Murry	1845	450	00
"	11	J.L. Green	1871	450	00
		Circuit Judges pd in Specie		$9150	00
1861		Prosecuting Attorneys Salary			
Mar	21	J.W. Lesha	567	133	33
April	1	J W Lesha	609	100	00
"	20	J.L. Hallowell	677	175	00
May	7	W K. Patterson	770	266	66
	14	L Gregg	812	100	00
	27	Elisha Baxter	910	40	00

1861					
May	28	D. W. Carroll	937	247	09
June	21	L. Featherston	1157	100	00
July	2	L. L. Hallowell	1221	175	00
"	5	L. Featherston	1250	100	00
"	6	D W Carroll	1258	100	00
	24	E Baxter	1345	40	00
Aug	12	James H Young	1438	200	00
"	"	Lafayette Pegg	1439	100	00
	23	H. W. Deshea	1477	60	00
Oct	9	D.W. Carroll	1856	100	00
		Pres Attys pd in Specie		$2.037	08
1861		Clerk hire in Auditors Office			
Jany	31	Arlow Hannin	289	83	33
"	"	W. M. Henley	290	133	33
"	"	Henry James	291	75	00
Febry	1	H. C. Lowe	296	166	66
	28	Arlow Hannin	372	83	33
		W. M. Henley	373	66	66
		H. James	374	75	00
April	1	Henry James	625	75	00
"	"	A. Hannin	626	83	33
"	3	H. C. Lowe	639	166	67
"	"	William M. Henley	640	66	66
"	30	A Hannin	725	83	33
		William M Henley	726	66	66
May	31	Henry James	727	75	00
"	"	A Hannin	974	83	33
"	"	William M Henley	975	66	66
June	1	Henry James	983	75	00
July	1	H James	1207	75	00
"	"	William M. Henley	1208	66	66
"	12	Henry James	1290	25	00
"	16	A. Hannin	1308	83	33
"	20	H C Lowe	1333	166	66
"	31	A Hannin	1385	83	33
"	"	W. M. Henley	1386	66	66
Aug	31	A Hannin	1549	83	33
"	"	William M. Henley	1557	66	66
Sept	30	A. Hannin	1751	100	00
"	"	Wm M Henley	1752	83	33
		Clerks in Audr Off pd in Specie		$2424	91

Contingent Expenses of the Executive department

1861					
Jany	30	Little Rock Telegraph Co	285	3	60
Febry	14	~~S. S. Gaines~~	303	100	00
"	"	W. M. Mathenay	304	9	00
"	"	R. S. Yerkes	312	375	00
"	5	Isaac Huick	316	30	00
"	"	A. I. Ward	317	250	00
"	12	W. N. Parish	319	110	00
"	"	John S. Sparks	320	6	00
"	"	Mrs L. T. Camille	321	83	75
"	"	W. S. Oley	322	9	90
"	13	L. A. Slaughter	324	895	55
"	14	W H Field jr	325	50	00
"	"	Col S. H. Tucker P. M. G.	325½	371	25
"	"	Col S. H. Tucker P. M. G. A. M.	326	1537	74
"	"	S. H. Lock	327	90	00
"	"	F. B. Henry	328	10	94
"	"	J. C. Henderson	329	52	25
"	"	J. H. Batte	330	6	50
"	"	J. H. Carter	331	23	25
"	"	Newell & Felkins	333	1097	00
"	"	F. B. Henry	334	5	36
"	"	Peter Hauger	336	170	00
"	"	John J. Sterman	337	10	75
"	"	A. I. Hutt	339	384	48
"	"	James D. Butler	342	6	50
"	15	P. P. Burton	343	6	25
"	"	J. Huick	344	40	00
"	16	Burgevin & Field	353	185	35
"	"	L. J. McBride	355	3	94
"	"	F. M. Mill	356	3	94
"	21	John J. Sterman	360	20	00
"	25	Jno. I. Clendenin	362	119	00
"	"	James L. Duffy	363	43	25
"	"	Marion L. Warren	364	16	00
"	"	Burgevin & Field	365	126	50
"	26	S. E. Gould	368	26	00
"	"	Augustus Dorf	369	31	00
"	27	Sylvester Lee	370	224	40
"	"	Burgevin & Field	371	115	16
March	2	James A. Ashford	375	34	25
"	4	Burgevin & Field	379	108	36

1861

March	5	W. W. Morrow	381	110	75
"	"	Geo. E. Burgewin	382	1060	50
"	7	Thomas. C. Peck	393	98	00
"	8	John W Adams	403	110	00
"	9	A. S. Roane	409	119	00
"	"	Capt. John W Adams	411	320	00
"	11	Burgewin & Field	416	38	61
"	12	Geo S. H. Lucken	423	226	66
"	16	J. H. Ward	443	68	80
"	"	Field & Valley	446	82	35
"	20	William H Rapley	488	47	00
"	"	J J Churchill	489	62	54
"	21	J. R. Murphy	494	2	00
"	"	W. S. Otey	510	733	75
"	"	J. Clendening	511	33	00
"	"	A. S. Roane	574	73	00
"	"	W. Murray	576	50	00
"	23	Jos. Schader	577	18	34
"	25	William Brooks	578	200	00
"	"	James, H, Martin	580	401	00
"	26	John S. Roane	590	27	33
"	"	John, J. Sterman	595	1	25
"	27	Henry Jacobi	597	17	00
April	1	Johnson & Yerkes	618	8	00
"	"	Johnson & Yerkes	619	269	60
"	"	Johnson & Yerkes	621	20	50
"	"	Burgewin & Field	633	28	00
"	4	Jacob Hawkins	641	8	00
"	4	Richard Madden	643	5	00
"	5	E. P. Lane	645	67	50
"	8	J J McElmap	649	57	70
"	"	E. L. Slaughter	652	7	45
"	13	W. R. Marlow	655	25	25
"	16	John E Reardon	661	35	15
"	"	John E Reardon	663	4	50
"	17	L. C. Baker	664	19	80
"	18	D. A. Newman	667	34	50
"	19	A. J. Ward	671	6	00
"	22	Ben. J Duval P.M.G.	687	5.000	00
"	"	J. C. Peck	688	275	00
"	"	S H Lucken & Co	689	1.461	03
"	24	Genl John S Roane	694	4 000	00

1861					
April	25	Maj Genl T. W. Merrick	697	50	00
"	"	Genl John S. Roane	698	136	75
"	"	Genl John S Roane	699	22	50
"	26	Capt W. Smith	704	3.088	00
"	"	Capt Wm Howland	705	1820	00
"	27	Pine Bluff Telegraph Co	707	9	05
"	"	Burgewin & Field	708	429	10
"	"	Capt Houston	709	414	00
"	"	Genl James Yell	710	2.000	00
"	"	T. C Peck	712	51	00
"	"	Burgewin & Field	713	533	15
"	"	Tilley & Reside	715	41	00
"	29	John D. Adams	716	36	75
"	"	Charles Rapley	717	60	00
"	"	Burgewin & Field	718	47	60
"	"	Thomas Johnson	721	200	00
May	1	Genl John S Roane	728	125	00
"	"	Capt W. Howland	732	127	50
"	2	Maj D. H. Shall	735	1300	00
"	3	Thos C Peck	736	76	50
"	"	Fickins & Dowl	739	89	00
"	6	W. F. Rapley	752	205	38
"	7	John L Sturman	758	60	50
"	"	W. D. Milburn	766	200	00
"	9	T. J. Churchill	784	13	50
"	"	T. J. Churchill	786	11	05
"	10	Thos. C. Peck	788	142	16
"	11	Capt S. A. Roane	794	83	25
"	13	J J McAlmat	803	15	55
"	16	E. H. Illg	834	5	75
"	18	Johnson & Jerkes	845	63	00
"	20	E Burgewin	858	45	00
"	21	J Reuben	868	5	00
"	24	George L. Davis	890	4	95
"	"	John E Reardon	897	29	40
June	15	Johnson & Jerkes	1125	85	00
"	17	Edward Burgewin	1131	7	50
July	3	John A. Sturman	1226	41	25
"	17	W. H. Pope	1312	8	85
"	20	W. H. Pope	1335	22	58
"	25	J E Reardon	1354	24	35
"	27	John A. Sturman	1367	34	75

1861					
Sept	7	Woodson & Cauller	1590	4	00
	9	Johnson & Jerkes	1591	107	50
"	24	S. C. Clayton	1727	200	00
"	30	Mc I Sleeman	1756	15	00
"	"	Burgevin & Feile	1775	5	75
Oct	8	Wm H Pope	1850	161	38
"	"	Wm H Pope	1851	31	55
"	"	Wm H Pope	1852	48	45
"	"	J. C. Morrell	1855	3	00
Dec	17	T. J. Hampton	2377	300	00
				$3446	88
1861		Contingent Expenses of the Auditors Office			
Apl	1	Johnson & Jerkes	614	47	25
May	3	T. S. Churchill	738	41	07
"	24	J. E. Reardon	896	250	75
"	30	S H Tucker & Co	962	6	50
June	15	Johnson & Jerkes	1130	19	50
July	1	W. R. Miller	1203	16	50
"	6	W H Pope	1262	28	31
"	18	J. E. Reardon	1310	47	00
Oct	8	Johnson & Jerkers	1572	54	00
"	8	W H Pope	1853	125	16
				636	04
1861		Contingent Expenses of the Treasurs office			
Feb	2	L A Martin	301	5	00
Mar	4	J. E. Reardon	380	18	30
May	9	S. S. Churchill	785	11	24
June	15	Johnson & Jerkis	1127	7	50
July	1	O Basham	1210	15	00
"	25	J E Reardon	1355	71	85
Aug	1	Johnson & Jerkes	1388	7	50
Sept	30	W. R. Miller	1761	9	00
Oct	8	W. H Pope	1849	9	02
				154	41
1861		Expenses of the Supreme Court of the State of Arkansas			
Janry	30	L. E. Barber	288	245	16
Feb	14	John E Reardon	340	134	60
Mar	11	L. E. Barber	414	463	04
Apr	18	Thos Fletcher	669	294	12
"	19	L. E. Barber	673	264	00
May	8	L. E. Barber	782	206	41
"	25	Thos Fletcher	902	57	00

May	25	L E. Barber	906	54	00
"	30	John E. Reardon	953	108	50
"	"	S H Tucker & Co	959	25	20
June	1	L E. Barber	987	578	80
"	15	Johnson & Perkes	1128	16	50
July	2	L E. Barber	1219	27	69
				2468	27
		Contingent Expenses of the Senate and House of Representatives			
Jany	23	E Ellg	271	25	75
"	28	S H. Tucker & Co	276	75	05
May	7	S M. Scott	757	634	00
"	10	John D. Thibell	787	573	50
Jany	22	Little Rock Gas Co	246	35	45
"	"	Johnson & Perkes	249	492	60
"	"	Johnson & Perkes	250	285	50
"	"	Jno N. Woodward	252	99	63
				2259	48
1861		Printing &c the Acts and Journals of the General Assembly			
April	1	Johnson & Perkes	631	2613	32
May	13	John C. Henderson	808	123	42
"	29	E N. Shuman	950	222	70
June	1	Johnson & Perkes	982	3128	00
"	15	J C Henderson	1122	38	25
May	4	Johnson & Perkes	741	427	00
July	25	John E. Reardon	1356	245	76
"	13	Jno G. Shuman	1298	9	55
				6808	00
1861		Printing &c the Decisions of the Supreme Court			
March	5	Johnson & Perkes	383	1062	40
May	24	Johnson & Perkes	895	500	00
	25	Johnson & Perkes	903	408	00
Aug	1	Johnson & Perkes	1389	523	60
				2494	00
1861		United States Land Office			
Jany	22	H A. Adams	244	121	98
March	28	N N. Lewis	601	107	40
April	26	N G. Owens	703	135	78
				365	16
1861		Secretary of State for Copying laws			
April	9	Jno G. Shuman	654	600	00
July	13	Jno G. Shuman	1297	100	00
				700	00

1861		Clerk hire in Treasurer's Office			
Feb	2	W. A. Martin	299	111	78
Apr	1	J. A. Martin	622	130	98
July	1	J. A. Martin	1211	200	00
Aug	31	J. A. Martin	1558	133	33
Sept	30	J. A. Martin	1765	66	66
				642	75
1861		Sheriffs & Their Guards			
Jan	23	Marcus L. Wells	269	12	00
"	23	H K Stephens	270	16	00
Feb	4	C. P. Bennett	308	76	00
	"	C. P. Bennett	309	76	00
	"	J. S. Nichols	310	66	00
	"	Brettin Bennett & Co	311	1.14	00
	18	S. J. Catrill	357	120	00
	"	Jackson Catrill	358	45	00
	"	Lafayett Rogers	359	45	00
Mar	15	Wm A Porter	431	254	00
	21	H. P. Richardson	568	31	50
	"	W. B. Mick	569	28	00
	26	Zachariah Cummins	586	15	00
	"	H. English & Leggett	587	30	00
	"	John Bailey	588	40	00
	27	John F Hill	598	56	00
	"	Wm L. Leslie	599	63	00
Apr	22	James Hardson	684	112	20
	"	Samuel Austin	685	84	90
	"	Jacob Hydrick	686	84	90
May	6	L. D. Holloway	748	30	00
	"	M. M. Jurkip	749	22	50
	17	J A Culpepper	838	10	00
	"	B. O. Hatton	839	7	50
	"	J W Kimbell	840	7	50
	25	John D Wyatt	908	54	00
	"	E Pond (et al)	909	60	75
June	19	A. H. Logan	1139	80	00
	"	M. M. Connell (et al)	1140	30	00
	"	P H. Bush	1141	15	00
	"	J. S. Fowler	1142	30	00
Aug	20	Thos F Spence	1459	16	00
	"	M. Nash	1460	12	00
	27	W. A. Plemenkit	1489	3	00
	"	Joseph Scott	1490	3	75

1861					
Sept	21	W. I. E. Armstrong	1695	34	00
	"	J. W. Gantt	1696	25	50
Oct	1	Rachel A. West	1788	25	50
	"	Saul. C. Brown	1787	17	00
				1,855	50
1861		Salaries of Special Judges C.P. & P.			
Jany	22	Pamc K. Young	263	50	00
Feby	16	Charles C. Farrelly	352	50	00
March	26	Benj. Abbott	585	50	00
"	"	John King	585	50	00
	28	P. L. Legon	604	50	00
April	18	Pascal Legon	630	50	00
May	6	W. W. Leask	581	50	00
	13	Ben. Abbott	811	50	00
	15	Robt Hutchinson	842	50	00
	17	James C. Tappan	845	350	00
	18	S. H. Williams	844	50	00
June	3	P. L. Legon	1049	50	00
	29	P. L. Legon	1184	50	00
				950	00
1861		Members and officers of the General Assembly			
Jany	22	Arlow Fannin	262	5	00
"	31	Jesse Miller	284	20	00
	22	John D. Kimbell	242½	218	00
		John T. Rugg	243½	52	00
		Chas Cangle	244½	96	00
		S. P. Jones	261	25	00
				416	00
1861		Salary of Solicitor General			
Jany	21	S. H. Hempstead	253	462	00
Apr	1	Jno M Harrell	617	287	00
July	8	Jno M Harrell	1265	375	00
Sept	30	Jno M. Harrell	1374	375	00
				1,499	00
1861		Auditor for recording and arranging land list			
April	2	M. R. Miller	635	250	00
1861		Fuel & Stationery for the General Assembly			
Jany	23	E. V. Conway	266	55	19
"	"	J. E. Reardon	268	443	35
"	"	J. E. Reardon	269	370	65
"	25	M. E. Sullivan	272	30	00
"	31	M. G. Sullivan	292	45	00

Feby	2	D. A. Martin	300	24	02
	14	N. C. Sullivan	352	37	50
April	1	H. M. Rector	628	40	80
	2	S. M. Weaver	636	13	03
July	1	O. Basham	1209	4	75
				1,570	24
1861		For use of Vault in State Bank			
Feby	1	Estate of Thomas N. Newton & A. Pike	295	50	00
1861		Special Appropriations –			
Jany	22	N. A. Porter	245	500	00
	"	John N. Williams	248	38	40
	"	F. D. Merrick	260	80	20
	"	Edwd N. Swan	243	100	00
	"	D. S. Bennett	249	100	00
	"	A. Crawford & Co	255	200	00
	29	James N. Finley	283	100	00
	30	L. Rock Gas Company	289	45	18
	22	George & Robins	258	5	52
Feby	2	Jesse Mills	302	90	00
May	7	A. N. Cole	357	603	08
				2,409	36
1861		Convention Expenses			
		Paid Officers & members of Convention		8,203	91
1861		For buildings on Penitentiary Grounds			
		Paid A. J. Ward from March 2 to May 6		15,700	00
1861		Commissions for purchasing arms			
March	6	T. J. Churchill & C. C. Danley	384	190	00
1861		Arms for the State			
March	27	John Collins	600	58	20
"	30	Burgwin & Field	605	165	30
"	"	T. P. Fitch	606	248	06
April	1	Burgwin & Field	613	281	50
"	3	W. J. Simms & Bro	637	684	54
"	"	W. J. Simms & Bro	638	659	50
"	8	Burgwin & Field	651	312	45
"	15	J. L. Woodward	656	348	09
"	"	W. J. Simms & Bro	657	325	12
"	18	Burgwin & Field	668	229	05
"	19	Burgwin & Field	674	204	60
"	24	W. J. Simms & Bro	696	199	56
May	3	S. H. Tucker	737	1,808	06
"	17	G. P. Williams	841	268	61
"	18	Burgwin & Field	848	268	50
				3,910	37

1861		Militia whole in service		
April	23	S Lee	691	14 75
"	27	Stark, Carleton & McGregor	706	439 47
"	27	Capt N L. Robinson	714	174 10
May	1	Col J S. Roane	731	38 15
	4	Steamer Judge Fletcher	742	92 39
	"	S H. Preston	743	25 46
	"	Jno D. Adams	746	93 56
	6	Jno D Adams	750	288 00
	7	W W. Johnson	760	300 67
	"	W W Johnson	761	1 50
	"	B F. Duval	762	39 00
	"	B F Duval	763	206 83
	"	B F Duval	764	356 13
	"	B F Duvall	765	324 61
	8	B F. Duvall	778	182 55
	13	W Rowland	810	191 00
	14	B F. Duval	815	144 06
	"	B F. Duval	816	206 36
	15	L N Brown	830	609 00
	"	J McGinnis	832	312 00
	18	E Burgwin	849	144 80
	20	S H Preston	853	462 00
	21	F D. Merrick	864	232 48
	"	Capt Jno C. Peay	863	35 10
	22	Capt W. Rowland	873	640 00
	"	L J. Fellerman	878	250 00
	"	E N. Parker	880	112 02
	"	R L. Harris	881	499 00
	23	W F. Recles	884	104 00
				9,058 25
1861		Special Judges of Supreme Court		
May	8	H Flanigan	779	200 00
1861		Money refunded on act of land illegally sold		
June	22	J C. Davis	253	19 44
"	28	J S. Winkler	279	10 43
Feby	13	H G. Lunsford	323	51 54
"	23	H B. Stevens	361	38 38
April	17	John D. Kimbell	665	5 02
"	"	W E. Ashley	666	33 40
May	2	J F. Davis	733	9 88
"	14	Taylor Whiteley	814	67 70
July	26	George Prorise	1357	86 63

Aug	19	Peter R. Lessons	1458	37	50
Sept	—	Silas P. Cattin	1739	3	35
Oct	12	James N. Bowen	1883	88	95
				452	14
1861		Salary and other Expenses of State Geologist.			
Feby	21	Estate of D. D. Owen	366	277	77
"	"	" " D. D. Owen	367	484	24
April	19	Benjamin F. Field	675	211	40
				973	41
1861		Sheriffs for Conveying Runaway Slaves to Penitentiary			
Feby	11	H. Johnson	318	187	50
	15	J. N. Bradley	347	168	80
				356	30
1861		Salary of Bank Officer			
Feby	11	H. B. Wilson	313	3536	2
1861		Costs in Circuit Suits when the State is a party			
Jany	22	L. E. Barber	257	457	57
1861		Contingent Expenses of the Chancery Court			
Feby	14	Thomas Fletcher	341	17	50
1861		Salaries of Chancellors			
Jany	22	W. M. Rose	215	625	00
April	1	W. M. Rose	632	625	00
July	1	W. M. Rose	1201	625	00
Oct	5	W. M. Rose	1832	625	00
				2500	00
1861		Chaplain to the Penitentiary			
March	9	Rev. D. L. G. McKenzie	408	62	50
July	3	" D. L. G. McKenzie	1228	50	00
				112	50
1861		Rent of Governor's Mansion			
April	1	Henry M. Rector	627	125	00
July	1	Henry M. Rector	1215	125	00
Sept	30	Henry M. Rector	1784	125	00
				375	00
1861		Distribution Internal Improvement Fund			
Jany	22	W. J. Mitchell — Sebastian —	251	22	25
	28	J. N. Bailey — Hot Spring Co	277	22	26
Feby	4	R. L. Jones — Newton	305	22	26
"	"	Caleb Cox — Polk	335	22	26
	14	F. M. Chisman — White	338	22	25
March	5	Ambrose Hutchings — Jefferson	385	22	26
"	8	J. L. Jones — Fulton —	401	1052	19
"	9	M. J. Boneville — Pulaski —	407	22	25

March	9	H. Rieff — Washington	410	75	16
"	11	J. D. Nash — St Francis	417	22	26
"	15	James Campbell — Johnson	430	22	26
"	16	F. E. Lannels — Calhoun	444	22	25
"	19	D. P. Bizell — Conway	457	22	26
"	"	Joel E. Wood — Craighead	482	22	26
"	20	S. P. Crowder — Benton	484	22	25
"	"	Elisha Babb — Carroll	485	22	25
"	21	M. L. Hawkins — Ashley	505	22	25
"	"	L. M. Covington — Pike	516	22	26
"	"	Barly Baker — Ouachita	564	22	25
"	"	Geo C. Hammile — Izard	570	22	26
"	25	William Cullum — Van Buren	579	22	25
"	26	E. S. Franklin — Bradley	589	22	25
April	19	Granville Whittington, Montgomery	632	22	26
	20	Henry Ray — Madison	636	22	26
	"	Wm. Barron Saline	683	22	26
	24	W. Irwin Drew	695	22	26
	26	S. H. Lons Union	700	22	25
	29	A. H. Nubbe Randolph	722	22	26
May	6	Lessi Hill, Scott	747	22	25
	"	W. H. Ivy Perry	753	22	26
	7	H. H. Miller Jackson	767	22	26
	15	L. N. Rees Franklin	826	22	26
	20	A. S. Huey Ouachita	855	22	26
	22	Norman S. Goodrich Dallas	871	22	26
	27	W. G. Bohanning Green	915	75	64
June	6	Jno. Burns Independence	1089	22	26
July	9	Asa Tyer Pointe	1273	22	26
Aug.	8	A. G. McCann Desha	1426	22	26
Oct.	24	J. H. Errington Mississippi	1930	22	26
				10,530	76

Institute for the Deaf & Dumb

July	24	Martin Leland	1346	200 00
Aug	7	Mathew Leland	1422	280 00
				500 00

Institute for Blind Saline Bend.

March	21	Arkansas Institute for Blind	490	690 00
July	4	A. Patton	1249	450 00
Oct.	29	H. Flanagin	1959	94 50
				1234 50

Appropriation for Military purposes

May	24	Capt. R. Lipe	893	11 78
	25	A. W. Davis	901	168 50

May	27	Capt. R. Lyon	912	1200 00
	"	W. F. Rapley	913	139 66
		Capt. R. H. Echols	914	1410 00
		Thos. C. Pratt	917	836 15
		Chas. W. Adams	918	1200 00
	28	C. W. Adams	933	2152 85
	29	J. E. Reardon	941	7 48
		W. B. Noland	942	382 00
		Dandridge McRae	946	15 00
		H. A. Linde	947	105 00
	30	Col. J. J. Churchill	956	250 00
		Hillins & Denver	959	150 00
		S. H. Tucker & Co	960	50 20
		S. H. Tucker & Co	961	2312 11
		W. A. Centrell	965	40 00
		G. S. Morrison	966	1159 68
		J. H. Newburn	967	345 00
		J. H. Hawkins	968	250 00
	31	B. O. Hallock	970	575 60
		Saml. McSwain	971	384 81
		J. C. Slover	972	376 50
		Jno Bristow	974	97 81
June	1	Capt. F. Johnston	986	300 00
		R. L. Dodge	1010	44 10
	3	Mrs. Rose Douglas	1043	88 00
		Jas. Tilley	1075	25 00
		Mrs. Lewis	1076	3 00
	4	H. A. Linde	1077	570 81
		Pine Bluff Telegraph Co	1078	18 80
	5	C. C. Dunley	1079	6 00
		Chas Dunley	1080	20 00
		Benjamin & Frica	1081	161 52
		Arkansas Telegraph Co.	1082	52 92
		Steamer Dahlgren	1083	1286 72
	6	J. E. Reardon	1084	5 55
		Lurasin & Kramer	1085	5681 15
	7	John F. Tripp	1090	195 00
	8	Steamer Lion	1091	526 75
		Steamer Kanawha Valley	1093	280 00
		John Mitchell	1095	5 00
	10	G. S. Pollard	1096	80 00
		Steamer Lady Walton	1097	624 00
		F. C. Pelo	1098	42 50
		W. Thompson	1099	69 24

June	10	Steamer Dahlgren	1100	2000
	11	[redacted] E. Henry	1101	1600
		E. M. Apperson	1102	82894
		R B Hurley & Co	1103	27044
		H. G. Robinson	1104	5200
		S. H. Decker & Co	1105	6826
		Thos. R. Miles	1106	1250
		E. C. Millcutt	1107	800
	12	D. W. Davis	1110	7000
		S. H. Decker & Co	1111	1815
		Jas. A. Henry	1112	23235
	14	J. A. Linde	1114	18089
		Hanger Rapley & Jones	1115	61600
		J. M. B. Smith	1116	27 50
		Jas. Hardy	1117	5 60
		A. M. Woodruff	1118	18000
		P. Bryman	1119	41 25
		L. B. Moore	1120	8031
	15	R. A. Mullins	1123	1000
	17	S. H. Decker & Co	1132	6836
		Ark. Telegraph Co	1133	4730
	18	W. Drake	1134	15000
		Bryson & Hale	1137	30 50
		C. Langtree	1138	1000
	20	S. E. Jones	1144	1550
		A. M. Woodruff	1145	10000
June	20	J. E. & B H Dyer	1147	3448
		J. A. Linde	1148	7 50
		P. Hanger	1152	10000
		J. M. Moore	1153	10956
	21	J. E. Reardon	1154	3748
		Peter Bryman	1155	9 10
		D. McRae	1156	355 72
		A. M. Woodruff	1158	3440 00
		Stewart & Bro.	1160	715 72
		D. McRae	1160½	44 00
	22	Hunter & Oakes	1162	543 60
		J. A. Linde	1165	8000
		J. A. Linde	1166	13898
	25	D. J. Shull	1167	17 00
		R. M. Myles	1168	60 50
		W. H. Blackwell	1169	10840
		Frumpler & Day	1171	325
	26	A. M. Woodruff	1172	10000 00

June	21	Jno. L. Neal	1175	2 60
		Capt. R. Pritchard	1177	1 28
		Capt. R. Pritchard	1178	4 00
	29	Jno B. Murphy	1179	10 00
		A. M. Woodruff	1181	50 00
		W. F. Rector	1183	59 30
		H. G. Robinson	1184	5 40
	28	Thomas Lelin	1188	65 50
		Dr L. H. Hunter	1189	185 00
		R. G. Shaw	1190	255 00
		S. F. Austin	1192	50 00
		R. G. Shaw	1193	2013 75
	29	J. M. McConnaughey	1195	10,000 00
		J. L. Hummack	1198	15 20
		J. M. Marshal	1217	20 00
July	2	C. B. Moore	1225	25 00
	3	E. C. Holland	1227	33 35
		Stewart & Pyne	1229	52 80
		Stewart & Pyne	1230	60 00
		Pingenin & Field	1231	3 70
	4	Jno Dyer	1232	3 75
		M. Clifford	1236	3 75
		F. D. Merrick	1241	10 00
		J. D. Adams	1244	[illegible]
		Jas. P. Spring	1246	2 50
		J. D. Adams	1248	3 10
	5	Louis Brown	1252	3 90
		Edmund Benjamin	1254	60 00
	6	Edward Colleck	1255	3 90
		J. M. Moore	1258	282 74
	8	P. Bingman	1266	16 45
		J. H. Imboden	1268	10 000 00
		A. M. Woodruff	1270	7794 11
		Marsh Walker	1271	272 00
		J. D. Thomas	1272	202 00
	9	N. B. Burrow	1275	341 00
		Col. H. C. Griffith	1276	2 00
		F. C. Peck	1277	5 00
		F. C. Peck	1278	17 35
	10	Stewart & Pyne	1279	5429 11
		J. C. Hudson	1280	25 00
	11	J. M. Davis	1283	102 16
		J. A. Linder	1285	500 00
	13	Riley Jones	1293	105 00

July	13	S H. Tucker & Co	1294	1466 33
	"	S H. Tucker	1295	5000 00
	"	F D Morrison	1299	300 00
	15	L C. Baker	1300	317 09
	"	A M Woodruff	1302	9000 00
	"	Lt Col S Borland	1303	100 00
	16	C C. Dawley	1304	12000
	"	E C. Kirk & Co	1306	5245
	"	Edmund Burgevin	1307	55 00
	17	Caleb Langtree	1309	20 00
	"	O H. P. Caldwell	1311	25 71
	"	E Burgevin	1313	100 00
	"	E Burgevin	1314	500 00
	18	Capt D F. Shall	1317	100 00
	19	J E. Reardon	1319	127 60
	"	Military Board	1321	100 00
	20	Snow & Ketchum	1323	32 00
	"	Hendrie & Co	1329	96030
	"	Shaw Lehman & Co	1330	61043
	"	Bransford Goodbar & Co	1331	1779 21
	"	J. Slater	1332	44 80
	23	N H. Jacobs	1340	817 55
	24	J D. Allen	1342	50 00
	"	N A. Bevins	1350	160 00
	"	Martin Carson	1357	45 00
	26	A J. Ward	1361	165 00
	"	A M. Woodruff	1362	200 00
	31	E Burgevin	1377	100 00
	"	S H. Buboden	1379	1500 00
	"	B F. Duval	1381	2500 00
Aug	1	T P. Allis	1387	31 65
	"	E M. Turner	1393	18 340
	2	T D. Merrick	1395	376 35
	"	A M. Woodruff	1396	200 00
	5	P H. Wheat	1408	2500 00
	"	G A. Hanson	1410	10 92
	"	G A. Hanson	1411	63 00
	"	G W Glenn	1412	47 32
	"	G W. Glenn	1413	29 50
	6	A M. Woodruff	1421	550 00
	7	J M. Moore	1423	450 00
	"	James Burk	1425	40 00
	8	John Harris	1427	208 60
	9	Stanley & Moore	1429	250 00

Aug	9	S. H. Tucker & Co.	1432	4332 69
	"	Geo. Bradshaw	1436	100 00
	13	Filkins & Duel	1444	40 00
	"	S. N. Davies	1445	104 16
	16	Military Board	1451	100 00
	17	Geo. E. Benjamin	1453	560 00
	22	J. D. Burk	1472	26 90
	"	G. S. Morrison	1475	404 75
	23	Amsterdam	1476 2/3	250 00
	27	B. F. Ingram	1503	58 56
	"	W. Drake	1507	1.033 48
	"	Military Board	1508	100 00
	29	G. D. Jones	1528	35 00
	"	R. C. Brinkley	1529	1.500 00
	"	R. G. Jennings	1533	5 00
	"	D. V. Hall	1532	15 28
	"	W. M. McDaniel	1534	6 50
	31	D. N. Davis	1548	50 00
Sept	2	R. L. Cargile	1566	1 56
	"	J. J. Garnis	1568	3 50
	"	W. Gill	1572	2 75
	"	M. J. Dodd	1575	2 12
	"	B. C. Totten	1578	34 00
	"	B. C. Totten	1580	200 00
	"	E. L. Walton	1583	150 00
	3	G. W. Glenn	1585	50 00
	10	L. C. Baker	1615	205 65
	16	W. E. Woodruff Jr.	1638	13 50
	17	Jas. Meller	1643	218 50
	18	P. H. Wheat	1659	400 00
		Military Board	1663	50 00
	19	E. Benjamin	1666	15 00
		E. Benjamin	1669	13 00
	20	Snow & Hutchinson	1678	27 60
		F. C. Peck	1680	32 48
		B. F. Wood	1681	400 00
	21	Military Board	1703	100 00
	24	F. G. McClure	1729	287 75
	26	Military Board	1742	100 00
		N. B. Pierce	1744	63 60
	30	Hitt Brown	1780	34 50
Oct.	1	Pac. Bell Telegraph Co.	1792	15 45
		D. N. Davis	1793	[illegible] 00
	2	G. W. Glenn	1814	50 00

Oct.	3	Att. Treasurer	1821	205 00
		Military Board	1826	100 00
	4	W. D. W. Holmes	1830	20 00
	7	Ben. F. Duval	1842	400 00
	8	Military Board	1846	100 00
	10	B. C. Totten	1870	50 75
		W. B. Snider	1876	26 00
		L. V. Hice	1880	130 00
	14	Military Board	1894	100 00
		Arkansas Telegraph Co	1896	110 00
				155,798 81
	1861	Military Operations on Frontier.		
May	13	Thos. H. Bradley	806	10,000 00
		Lun. N. B. Rance	809	10,000 00
				20,000 00
	181	To transport Arms to Border Counties		
Jan	20	Capt. W. B. Noland	278	42 75
		Physician to Penitentiary		
April	1	A. L. Figg	630	83 33
May	29	A. L. Figg	948	82 10
June	28	A. L. Figg	1191	28 93
Sept.	30	Dr. Kirkwood	1777	185 15
				349 87
	1861	Registers & Receivers Salaries.		
July	1	F. H. Moody	1222	91 91
	2	H. A. Powers	1223	91 91
		Moody & Powers	1224	61 25
	6	M. Rose	1256	83 88
		W. W. Floyd	1257	63 19
	12	W. J. Orr	1287	88 00
		W. T. Sargent	1288	80 00
		W. T. Sergeant	1289	54 75
	20	L. B. Cunningham	1324	77 70
		S. R. Berry	1325	145 15
	25	W. W. Lewis	1332	75 00
Aug.	1	W. A. Beeson	1354	75 00
	29	Alex. Griffin	1525	75 00
		Wm. Nash	1526	75 00
Oct.	3	F. H. Moody	1819	229 01
		H. A. Powers	1820	253 01
		M. Rose	1822	191 76
		W. W. Floyd	1823	170 58
	7	Johnson & Jones	1840	173 50
	14	W. T. Sergeant	1886	19[illegible]

Oct.	14	W. D. Owens		1887	140 60
		W. A. Berans		1891	168 34
		W. M. Lewis		1892	130 00
					2783 94
1861		Distribution of Saline Fund.			
Jan	26	A. L. Griffin		256	17 10
	26	Elvin Long	Searcy	274	14 00
	29	J. Ramsey	Bradley	282	53 65
Feb.	1	J. W. Gantt	Crittenden	293	22 69
	4	J. J. Dunn	Newton	307	11 25
	5	W. P. Preston	Prairie	314	15 35
	15	A. Jones	Montgomery	346	22 05
	16	F. W. Abbott	Ouachita	357	89 03
Mar.	4	Jno. Montgomery	Hempstead	378	70 57
	8	J. J. Izard	St. Francis	400	18 95
	9	W. B. Spear	Pike	406	11 30
	13	Jno Jones	Sebastian	428	65 00
	26	Ben. Holmes	Van Buren	592	1212 80
		Thos. N Blair	Franklin	594	12 75
	28	Jas. McKay	Independence	604	37 50
April	1	R. B. Ford	Lafayette	611	81 46
	15	Geo. Washington	Monroe	659	81 73
	20	C. W. Newton	Madison	678	21 45
		W R Gipson	Saline	681	15 10
	24	Geo. Prince	Drew	692	74 10
	26	D B McDaniel	Marion	701	19 70
	29	J. J. Poindexter	Arkansas	720	28 00
		Isaac Spikes	Randolph	724	42 45
May	1	J. M. Hallifield	Green	730	12 00
	4	A D Jones	Calhoun	745	42 00
	7	Geo. Sims	Jackson	769	48 40
	8	Jno. W. Cypert	Izard	776	14 30
	24	J. A. Veach	Chicot	892	47 53
June	6	J. A. McCoy	Independence	1086	37 50
	18	Robt Brown	Perry	1135	44 09
	20	W. G. Gunn	White	1151	17 31
Sept	23	W. A. Parish	Pulaski	1314	30 80
Nov	4	J. T. Haley	Poinsett	1986	7 25
	"	E. J. Dixon	Benton	2084	27 10
					1106 60
1861		Distribution of Seminary fund			
January	22	A. L. Griffin	Clark	255	65 35
	26	E. Long	Searcy	255	54 75
	29	John Ramsey	Bradley	281	120 45

Feby	1	J N Gantt	Creighead	274	49	75
	4	J J Dunn	Newton	306	44	00
	5	W P Preston	Prairie	315	60	40
	15	Alfred Gaines	Montgomery	345	47	30
	16	F M. Abbot	Ouachita	350	171	49
March	4	John Montgomery	Dallas	377	101	11
	8	F J Izard	St Francis	399	74	60
	9	W B. Speer	Pike	405	44	20
	13	John Jones	Sebastian	429	141	61
	26	B Holmes	Van Buren	591	49	95
	"	Thomas McLane	Franklin	593	50	75
	28	J H McKoy	Independence	603	148	58
April	1	R B. Ford	Lafayette	610	138	53
	15	George Washington	Monroe	658	72	53
	20	P W Newton	Madison	679	84	75
	"	W R. Gregory	Saline	682	59	05
	24	Geo Provise	Drew	693	161	65
	26	D R McDaniel	Lincoln	702	77	80
	29	J J Pondexter	Arkansas	719	62	85
		Jesse Spikes	Randolph	723	92	05
May	1	J M. Halfield	Green	729	46	95
	4	A L Drum	Calhoun	744	47	50
	7	Geo Smith	Jackson	768	105	15
	9	John C. Cypert	Izard	795	56	15
	24	John A Walch	Chicot	891	139	60
June	6	James A McKoy	Independence	1085	148	58
	18	Robt Brown	Perry	1134	91	47
	20	W J Turner	White	1150	70	20
Sept	23	W. T. Parish	Pulaski	1315	82	10
Nov	4	J T. Haley	Poinsett	1985	28	10
	11	E J Dixon	Benton	2085	107	25
					2,898	45

For Conveying prisoners from Penitentiary to other Counties

1861				
January	21	Thos Fletcher	254	150 00
April	23	J Fletcher	690	150 00
				300 00

Specific appropriations by the Convention

1861				
May	11	J F Hagan	789	10,000 00
"	17	J D. Adams	851	623 03
	22	A Pike	876	500 00
	23	A H Sneed & Co	886	85 76
	29	Shirley & Holtzman	945	34 00
June	3	William Hammond	1053	50 50

Oct	16	Geo A. Northen	1897	20 00
				1226 15
1861.		Feeding, Clothing &c. Convicts in Penitentiary		
Jan	28	George & Robins	280	1096 80
1861.		Salary of Superintendent of Penitentiary		
June	11	T. C. Peck	1108	110 40
Oct.	1	T. C. Peck	1791	250 00
				360 40
1861		Treasurer's Salary out of Int. Sup. Fund		
Feb	2	J. A. Martin	297	27 94
Apr.	1	O Basham	623	32 78
July	1	O Basham	1212	50 00
Sept.	30	O Basham	1718	50 00
				160 72
1861		Preparing War. Bonds & Treasury Warrants		
July	8	Ills. Telegraph Co.	1217	23 45
"	24	John Pope	1343	337 90
Aug.	1	Johnson & Yerkes	1390	180 00
	3	L. C. Baker	1406	8 20
	9	A. Syberg	1428	18 00
	13	James D. Butler	1449	8 50
	19	C. T. Chamberlain & Co.	1457	546 45
	29	A. W. Massey	1523	20 00
	"	O Basham	1536	1500 00
	31	S. P. Jones	1559	73 32
	"	W. A. Martin	1560	133 33
	"	A. S. Lumsdey	1561	17 50
	"	R. W. Stevenson	1562	43 90
	"	S. Ash	1563	19 70
Sept.	10	John E. Reardon	1616	99 00
	27	James D. Butler	1747	1800 00
	30	A. J. Howard	2762	30 00
	"	R. W. Stevenson	1763	66 66
	"	S. P. Jones	1764	66 66
	"	O Basham	1767	250 00
	"	W. A. Martin	1769	66 66
	"	S. Ash	1771	66 66
	"	A. S. Lumsdey	1758	66 66
	"	S. F. Shelton	1759	24 42
	"	J. S. Williams	1760	28 00
Dec.	30	T. H. Shields & Co	2887	357 00
Feb. 1862	17	Johnson & Yerkes	117	495 00
				8689 97

1841		Int. Insp. Fund refunded to Individuals		
Jan.	30	John Kelly	281	385 88
May	8	James H. Capers	771	557 83
	16	M. McDaniels	833	193 20
July	25	L. M. Britten	1353	270 14
				1406 55
1841		Expenses of Seminary Fund.		
Apr.	1	Johnson & Yates	616	750
	1	Johnson & Yates	615	750
June	15	Johnson & Yates	1129	750
Oct.	15	James L. Kilgore	349	49 38
				64 38
1841		Expenses of Salvie Fund		
Oct.	15	James M. Kilgore	348	23 13
				23 13
1841		Worms & Dibes		
April	16	John E. Reardon	612	18 00
				18 00
1842		Registers & Receivers Salaries (mos omitted)		
Jan	10	W. J. Owen	31	138 55
	"	W. T. Sargent	32	193 30
	"	W. A. Burns	35	34 50
	15	H. A. Powers	44	15 00
	31	Daniel Griffin	81	207 73
	"	Thos. H. Sims	82	10 00
Mar.	4	Jas. R. Berry	146	49 00
April	7	W. J. Owen	378	126 09
	"	W. T. Sargent	379	184 84
				958 01
1841.		Auditors Warrants redeemed with Specie Grants land from		
Jan.	22	William Hughes	33	1132 00
	25	W. D. Stark	35	9 48
	"	W. D. Stark	36	6 00
	26	L. K. P. Pritchard	37	66 60
		Lev. W. Leaborn	38	100 00
		J. W. Landrum	39	100 00
		W. J. Rapley	40	36 00
		W. J. Rapley	41	10 00
		John J. Martin	42	64 00
		John J. Martin	43	37 00
	29	Thos. J. McCullough	44	1776 00
	30	C. Langton	46	78 00
	"	C. Langton	47	70 00
Feb.	1	H. C. Lewis	49	33 34

1881 Feb.	2	S. A. Martin	50	1 50
	5	A. Lyberg	52	289 50
		A. Lyberg	53	1144 00
	14	Willis Robinson	56	2380 57
	"	W. D. Stark	58	24 00
	"	W. D. Stark	59	22 00
	15	Lewis B. Hart	60	533 58
	"	Henry M. Le Mary	61	533 58
	"	J. M. Killegore	62	372 68
	"	J. M. Killegore	63	176 23
	16	J. M. Killegore	64	24 00
	28	F. J. Batson	71	20 00
	"	L. B. Howe	72	20 00
	"	J. R. Gratiot	73	49 64
	"	E. H. Withers	74	60 00
	"	J. M. Moorman	75	133 33
Mar.	1	Isaac Turner	76	38.00000
	5	J. B. Arendale	78	84 75
	5	J. J. Agee	79	316 50
	"	C. Taylor	81	18 08
	"	T. J. Edwards	82	26 25
	"	James H Carow	83	103 50
	"	E. R. Rocket	84	135 75
	"	E. B. Rocket	85	297 75
	8	Henry A. Parcs	86	45 00
	"	Geo. W. Hughes	87	260 00
	"	Geo. W. Hughes	88	242 50
	11	John H. Johnson	89	228 25
	"	John W. Williams	91	814 10
	13	J. B. Arendale	92	344 50
	"	John C. McArthur	93	50 00
	"	C. Langtree	93½	10 00
	"	C. Langtree	94	8 00
	19	Samuel McCauley	99	227 29
	20	C. Langtree	100	50 00
	"	C. Langtree	101	4 00
	"	A. Lyberg	102	152 00
	"	A. Lyberg	103	287 50
	"	Buck & Armstrong	104	225 53
	21	John Stuteny	105	189 60
	"	C. W. Davis	106	119 91
	22	W. R. Clain	107	118 38
	23	W. D. Stark	108	92 00
		W. D. Stark	109	91 80

Mar.	1811 25	M. W. Edwards	112	3375
	"	Grambling & Edwards	113	64246
	"	G. H. Ballard	114	42469
	"	Crowley & Lancaster	115	17334
	"	Lester & Mellen	116	112603
	"	B. D. Wells	117	11181
	"	Lester & Mellen	118	23594
	"	A. D. Johnson	119	2256
	"	Walter F. Strayton	120	12220
	"	James M. Reeves	121	52532
	"	Walter F. Strayton	122	7144
	"	William Bagnell	123	18014
		A. G. Perryman	124	144140
		Larkin Wylie & co.	125	29140
		Lester & Mellen	126	84440
		Lester & Mellen	127	317043
		I. G. Nelson	128	90816
		A. D. Johnson	129	14805
		James M. Reynolds	130	42969
Apr.	1	Thos. J. Connelly	144	13880
	"	Thos. J. Connelly	145	35700
	"	Johnson & Wyeths	146	36500
	3	James S. Kelley	147	29140
	"	H. C. Lane	148	3333
	"	J. J. Powers	149	6666
	"	J. J. Powers	150	1616
	5	H. A. Powers	151	2250
	13	W. W. Alexander	152	9780
	"	W. W. Alexander	153	17011
	"	W. Nash	154	74940
	15	H. P. Richardson	155	29475
	"	A. Davis	157	26925
	"	A. Harmin	159	6200
	22	W. D. Stark	161	4273
	25	P. Moeller	165	133340
	26	V. S. Kelley	166	11800
	"	Wm Scott	167	6000
	27	Saml. McCulley & co	168	63492
	29	A. Syberg	169	14400
	"	A. Syberg	170	14365
May	8	Levin Rupp	177	1284
	9	J. W. Woodward	179	17000
	10	Geo. W. Hughes	180	20400
	"	Geo. W. Hughes	181	17760

1841 May	13	James E. Erwin	182	6666
	"	J. M. Kiegan	183	1458
	"	J. M. Kiegan	184	3833
	14	J. A. Linde	186	10835
	"	W. D. Stark	187	3825
	"	W. D. Stark	188	2300
	16	Wm Hughes	190	43950
	18	C. Langtree	191	4000
	"	C. Langtree	192	4100
	22	W. H. Rector	193	2500
	27	A. G. Smith	195	23440
	31	John Mullock	197	12098
	"	J. A. Linde	198	4800
	"	J. A. Linde	199	3175
June	3	C. Langtree	202	2400
	"	C. Langtree	203	2100
April	30	W. D. Stark	171	5400
	30	J. W. Woodward	172	10000
		W. A. Johnson	173	6001
May	3	Robert Maloney	174	5700
	6	W. H. Rapley	175	2630
	7	R. H. Dilworth	176	2000
June	5	Thos. L. Kay	205	2100
	"	J. W. Martin	206	4645
	15	Johnson & Yates	209	9000
	20	John S. Houston	210	2000
	21	W. D. Stark	211	2200
	"	W. D. Stark	212	835
July	4	J. W. Woodward	221	10000
	"	Jesse S. Powers	223	1310
	9	W. M. Steele	225	2480
	10	W. D. Stark	233	2325
	"	W. D. Stark	234	1866
	"	R. Maloney	235	9200
	"	Thos. L. Connelly	237	3675
	"	Thos. L. Connelly	238	3000
	11	J. E. Reardon	239	5575
	"	Jas. Martin	240	1000
	12	V. L. Kelley	242	11800
	13	Michael Stark	244	12950
	18	John F. Reardon	246	250
	20	H. C. Lowe	249	3334
	24	W. A. Burns	252	1600
	30	J. A. Linde	254	2200

1861				
July	31	A. Harmin	255	3333
Aug.	1	Johnson & Effkes	256	7500
"		Johnson & Effkes	257	5880
	5	B. Lynn	259	2000
	"	J. W. Woodward	260	10000
	7	James Martin	261	2740
	13	D. H. Brewer	263	4000
	20	C. Langtree	264	5300
	"	C. Langtree	265	5500
	"	Asbury Waddle	266	18692 20
	"	A. L. Smith	267	13312 20
	22	N. S. Hartin	268	3000
	31	A. Harmin	269	1667
	"	J. W. Woodward	270	10000
Sept.	2	L. D. Butler	271	400
	9	Johnson & Effkes	273	2150
	25	L. A. Hutchings	283	15000
	30	John W. Woodward	289	10000
	18	C. Langtree	274	800
	"	C. Langtree	275	1100
	30	Wm. L. Connelly	290	30000
	"	Wm. L. Connelly	291	7425
Oct.	3	Jesse L. Powers	292	11230
	7	Johnson & Effkes	298	3000
	9	John D. Kimber	300	4000
	"	John D. Kimber	301	305 00
	12	W. W. Steel	306	10000
	"	W. W. Steel.	307	11150
	14	V. L. Kelley	308	11800
	18	Samuel S. Gilsey	208½	2000
	31	William M. Henley	310	2778
	"	Arlin Harmin	311	1667
	"	J. W. Woodward	312	10000
Nov.	7	A. T. Olney	314	12500
	8	E. E. Handy	315	3000
	18	W. W. Cleveland	318	27675
Dec.	27	W. E. Woodruff	341	2800
	12	Jas. Dunn	333	3000
	13	C. Langtree	334	4200
	3	Johnson & Effkes	331	19000
	"	A. Harmin	330	1666
Nov.	27	C. Langtree	322	8200
Dec.	3	J. W. Woodward		10000
Jan. 1862	9	W. W. Steel	7	10000

Jan. 1842	11	Isaac S. Powers	11	113 10
	10	G. L. Kelley	14	118 00
	17	Thos. J. Connelly	17	160 00
	18	Thos. J. Connelly	21	71 80
	22	Geo. A. Northen	22	152 00
	9	W. W. Steel	6	62 25
	23	C. Langtree	23	22 50
	27	A. T. Kearney	27	259 50
Feb.	14	Johnson & Upshaw	45	40 00
	"	Johnson & Upshaw	44	9 00
Jan	9	B. E. Rainey	4	30 00
Mar.	19	John D. Kimbles	59	100 00
April	7	Isaac S. Powers	69	100 00
		V. L. Kelley	70	116 50
May	1	A. T. Kearney	74	138 89
	3	W. W. Steel	75	88 89
	5	Arlow Harmin	77	38 00
	6	William M. Henley	78	132 00
	"	J. W. Woodward	79	120 00
	7	A. Harmin	80	21 66
Sept.	30	J. J. Jackson	83	670 61
Oct.	31	J. S. Hunter	84	6 75
				$125,751 27

Amount paid out on accounts of Money sent from the United States — $75,598 94

Amount paid in redemption of Arkansas Treasury Warrants — 16,019 79

Amount paid in redemption of Campus Latum from Arkansas War Bonds — 10,486 43

County tax paid Counties and refunded to individuals

Jan.	28	J. S. Minkler Pulaski Co.	2 16
Mar	4	Fulton Co.	11
"	6	Conway Co.	303 53
Feb.	13	J. G. Lestimus Crittenden Co	5 31
April	15	Monroe Co.	72 84
	17	John D. Kimbrew Desha Co	1 31

Sept. 26	S. B. Cattin	Jackson Co.	5 70
Dec. 18	J. B. Keates	Cittenden Co	6 97
" 24	M. B. Flowers	Conway Co.	8 74
"	Same	Phillips Co	5 97
"	Same	St. Francis Co	4 07
			1072 61

Funds transferred from one Fund to another by Ordinances of Convention, and Acts of Special Session of Legislature — 185,758 16

Recapitulation.

Governors Salary	$1875 00
Salary of Governors Private Secretary	750 00
Treasurers Salary	803 62
Auditors Salary	900 00
Secretary of States Salary	882 97
Salaries of Judges of Supreme Court	5625 00
Reporters Salary	300 00
Salaries of Circuit Judges	9150 00
Salaries of Prosecuting Attorneys	2032 08
Clerk Hire in Auditors Office	2424 91
Contingent expenses of Executive Department	34,661 88
Contingent expenses of Auditors Office	636 04
Contingent Expenses of Treasurers Office	1544
Expenses of Supreme Court	2468 27
Contingent expenses of Senate & H. of Reps.	2289 48
Printing &c. Acts & Journals	6808 60
Printing &c. Decisions of Supreme Court	2494 00
U. S. Land Offices	315 76
Secretary of State for copying laws	700 00
Clerk Hire in Treasurer's Office	642 78
Sheriffs & their Guards	1855 00
Salaries of Special Judges of Circuit Courts	950 00
Members & Officers of General Assembly	416 00
Salary of Solicitor General	1499 00
Auditor for recording &c. land lists	200 00
Fuel & Stationery for General Assembly	1560 24
Vault in State Bank	50 00
Special Appropriations	2409 36
Consular Expenses	28,253 91
Building on Penitentiary Grounds	18,100 00

Commissioners for purchasing Arms	7	90
Arms for State	39,910	37
Militia Mule in Service	9058	25
Special Judges of Supreme Court	200	00
Money refunded, land erroneously sold	452	14
Salary &c. of State Geologist	973	41
Sheriffs for conveying Slaves to Penitentiary	356	30
Salary of Bank Officers	353	62
Cost in Suits, State being a party	487	87
Contingent Expenses of Chancery Court	17	50
Salary of Chancellor	2500	00
Chaplain to Penitentiary	112	50
Rent of Governor's Mansion	375	00
Distribution of Int. Imp. Fund	10,530	76
Institute for Deaf & Dumb	500	00
Institute for Blind out of Saline Fund	1234	50
For Military purposes	155,798	81
Military Operations on Frontier	20,000	00
Transport Arms to Border Counties	427	5
Physician to Penitentiary	349	87
Register & Receivers Salaries	2783	97
Distribution of Saline Fund	1106	60
Distribution of Seminary Fund	2898	43
Conveying persons from Penitentiary to other Counties	300	00
Specific Appropriations by Convention	12,267	15
Feeding &c. Convicts in Penitentiary	1096	50
Salary of Superintendent of Penitentiary	360	00
Treasurer's Salary out of Int. Imp. fund	160	72
Preparing War Bonds and Treasury Warrants	8689	97
Int. Imp. fund refunded to individuals	1406	55
Expenses of Seminary Fund	7	50
Expenses of Int. Imp. Fund	64	38
Expenses of Saline Fund	23	13
Drums & fifes	18	00
Registers & Receivers Salaries	989	01
Swamp land fund	125,757	27
Monies Loaned	75,598	94
Treasury Warrants redeemed	18,119	39
Coupons redeemed	10486	43
County Tax	1,072	11
Funds transferred	185,158	66
	$817,444	98

All of which is respectfully submitted this 28th Nov. 1862.

O. Bushnell, Treas.
By Jas. A. Martin D.T.

On motion of Mr Scott the reading of the Treasurers Statement was dispensed with

The following message was received from the Senate by the Secretary Mr Speaker

I am instructed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has passed the following House bills

H.B 94 No 94 Entitled an Act to repeal certain laws relative to levees in Chicot county and confer on the county court of said county the power to levy and collect a specific tax for the purpose of building levees in said county and for other purposes

H.B. 97 No 97 Entitled an act to authorize the County Court of Drew County to dispose of a certain lot of land within the limits of the town of Monticello

H.B 99 Entitled an act to authorize the Commissioners for Common schools in Desha county to deliver certain papers to the Treasurer of Drew County

H.B. 35 No 35 Entitled an act to amend the revenue laws of the State of Arkansas

The Senate has concurred in House amendments to Senate bill No 6 Entitled an act to appropriate the Internal Improvement of certain Counties for the relief of the destitute families of volunteers

And has concurred in House amendment to senate bill No 57 Entitled an act for the relief of certain Collectors of revenue

And in House amendment to Senate bill No 50 Entitled an act for the relief of Nathan Driver of Madison County Arkansas

And in House amendment to Senate bill No 17 Entitled an act to regulate proceedings under Chap 170 of the Digest

And in House amendment to Senate bill No 28 Entitled an act to repeal sections one, five, six, seven, eight, and nine of Chap 106 of the Digest of the Statutes of Arkansas

H B No 100 The Senate has rejected House bill No 100 to be entitled an act to authorize the distillation of grain into ardent spirits and for other purposes which is hereworth returned John G. Kimbrell

Secy Senate

On motion of Mr Connell the Treasurers Statement was laid on the table for examination of members

H.B. No 106 Mr English on leave introduced House bill No 106 Entitled an act to make Confederate money War Bonds and Treasury Warrants a legal tender which was read a 1st time Mr Harding moved to lay the bill on table upon which Mr English called for the ayes and noes the call was sustained and the roll called those members who voted in the affirmative were Messrs Bradshaw, Byrd Connell Chrotham Collins of Drew Conley Furr, Goodwin of union Harding Harris Hayes Holt Howard Hull Jenkins Lowry Mosten McGhadden Manley Naylor Oliver Pettigrew Phillips Porter, Richardson, Robins, Scott Tucker Tutt Williams of union Wycough Wynn and Mr Speaker 35 ayes.

Those who voted in the negative were Messrs Baker, Barnes, Cochran Collins of Bradley English Fain, Fletcher Goodwin of Columbia Hammack Hamilton Harrison Hurt Jones of Hot Spring Lofferty, Lewing Mallory, McCollum Murphy Powell Sifsell Teague Warner Welborn Wollcoxen Williamson and Wilson 26 noes

So the motion to lay on the table prevailed

Mr Neal presented the following report

Mr. Speaker

Your joint committee to whom was referred the Bill to be entitled an act for the relief of destitute families have had the same under consideration and have directed me to report a substitute bill back to this House and recommend its passage

Neal Chairman

which was adopted and House bill No 107 Entitled an act to provide for the relief of needy and destitute families of soldiers in this State was read a 1st time on motion of Mr Sifsell the rules were suspended and bill read a 2d time. On motion of Mr Neal the rules were further suspended and the bill read a 3d time and passed unanimously, the title was then adopted as part of the same

The following Message was received from the Governor

Mr Speaker

I am instructed by the Governor to inform your Honorable body that on the 28th day of

November 1862, he approved and signed the following acts
to wit, An Act to protect the interests and rights of
persons holding certificates of Preemption to any of the
Swamp and overflowed lands of this State
An Act to amend an act to prohibit the further sale
of public lands of this State and for other purposes
Approved March 21 1862
An Act for the relief of the late Sheriff and Collectors
of the different counties in this State
An Act for the relief of Giles N Kelly and to declare
him of age and competent to receive his property
An Act to amend the patrol laws
An Act for the relief of David A Stewart as Sheriff
and Collector of the County of Franklin
Also a Resolution instructing and requesting our
Senators and representatives in Congress to procure
the Extension to Bryanville ark. of the Mail Route
from Clarksville to Osage ark. to present
termination
W. M. Mathiny
Private Secretary
November 29th 1862.
Mr Scott presented the following report
Mr Speaker — The Committee on Swamp and
overflowed lands to whom was referred House
bill no 103, entitled an act regulating the price
of Swamp and overflowed lands in the Counties
of Polk and Montgomery have had the same
under consideration, and have instructed me to report
the same back to the House and recommend its
rejection —
S. M. Scott Chm Com on S & O Lands
On motion of Mr Pennington the report was
adopted —
Mr Haynes presented the following report
Mr Speaker — The Committee on Public Buildings
have proceeded to examine the same and upon
said examination find the public buildings in
great need of repairing, but have instructed me
to report to the House the inexpediency of making
appropriations for said repairs at this time
Haynes Chm Com on Public Buildings
Which was read & on motion adopted —
Mr Teague on leave introduced House bill No
108, entitled "An act to amend the 27th Section of
the 77th Chapter of the Digest of the State of Arkansas
which was read a first time — On motion of Mr

Martin the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time - On motion of Mr Powell the rules were further suspended and the bill read a third time - On motion of Mr Frasier the bill was laid on the table -

Mr McCough on leave introduced House bill No 109 - Entitled - "An act supplemental to an act entitled an act making appropriations for the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty three and part of the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty four, and for ballances due from the State - which was read a first time - On motion of Mr Martin the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time - On motion of Mr Neal the House then went into Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the bill, Mr Scott in the Chair, & after some time spent in consideration of the same, the Committee rose and through their Chairman made the following report -

Mr Speaker - The Committee of the whole House to whom was referred House bill No 109 - have had the same under consideration and have instructed me to report the same back to the House and recommend its passage - Scott Chm Com of the Whole House

which was on motion adopted -

On motion of Mr Olivin the rules were suspended & the bill read a third time and passed. The title was then adopted as part of the same -

The following message was received from the Senate by the hands of their Secretary

Mr Speaker - I am instructed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has ~~concurred~~ and passed House bill (Substitute) No 1, - to be entitled "an act to provide for the issuing of Change tickets which is herewith returned, with the amendment for the concurrence of your honorable body which is respectfully asked - L. D. Kinney Sec'y-Senate

On motion of Mr Lowry Senate message was taken up - & On motion of Mr Olivin the House refused to concur in the Senate amendment to House bill No 1, - On motion of

On Motion the House took a recess until 2 O'clock P.M. —

2, O'Clock P.M.

House called to order by Mr Speaker —
On motion of Mr Olivier the Journal of yesterday was read & approved —
Mr Pettigrew presented the following report
Mr Speaker — The Committee on Enrollment have examined House bills No 30, 83, 89, 84 81, 86, & Two joint resolutions, and have instructed me to report the same correctly enrolled. Pettigrew Chm of said Com
The following message was received from the Senate by the ~~[illegible]~~ of their Secretary —
Mr Speaker
I am instructed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has passed the following House
H.B. No 71 bills No 71 Entitled an act to repeal an ordenance of the Convention Entitled an ordenance for the benefit of Arkansas County
H.B. No 95 Entitled an act making appropriations for the year 1863 and for part of the year 1864 and for balances due from the State
H.B. No 109 No 109 Entitled an act supplementary to an act Entitled an act making appropriations for the year 1863 and part of the year 1864 & for balances due from the State
H.B. No 107 No 107 Entitled an act to provide for the relief of needy and destitute families of Soldiers in this State
Said four House bills are herewith returned
The Senate has passed Senate bill No 69 to be Entitled an act repeal Section one of an act approved 18th January 1861 Entitled an act to amend Chapter 137 of Gould's Digest under the head of public printer —
And has adopted a joint resolution requesting the State Treasurer to refund the amounts paid out of the State Treasury for assessing to prepare war Bonds and Treasury Warrants both of which are herewith transmitted for the consideration of your honorable body which is respectfully asked S Rotenberry
Secy Senate
On motion of Mr. Pennington the usual message

Joint resolution postponed up, and Senate Bill No. 69 entitled An Act to repeal sec. 1. of an act approved 18th Jan. 1861, entitled An act to amend Chap. 137 of Gould's Digest under the head of Public Printer was read a first time

On motion of Mr. Neal the rules were suspended and the Bill read a second time,

Mr. Scott moved to amend by saying "that the sum of 15 per. ct. be allowed to Johnson & Yerkes late Public Printers on all work done for the State since the 6th day of May 1861 and that the Auditor of Public Accounts be instructed to draw his warrant in favor of Johnson & Yerkes for this amount.

Mr. Robins moved the adoption of the amendment.

Mr. Baker moved to lay the amendment on the table.

Upon which motion Mr. Scott called for the Ayes & Noes, which call being sustained the Roll was called

Those members who voted in the affirmative were Messrs. Baker Barnes Brodstaux Byrd Carroll Collins of Bradley Collins of Dorr Connelly English Fain Fletcher Fur Gantt Gordon of Columbia Gordon of Union, Hynemen Harding Harris Haynes Hoit Hull Jenkins Lafferty Lenny McCollum McGadden Murphy Olin Pettus Phillips Porter Powell Richardson Sissel Stoddard Teague Thomas Wilemon Williams of Union, Wilson Wycoch & Mr. Speaker — 43. ayes

Those members who voted in the negative were Messrs. Chenoweth Cochran Hanlan Mallory Moseley Pennington Pettigrew Robins Scott Tucker Tuttle & Wynn — 12 votes.

Messrs. Fellows & Williamson were excused from voting

So the amendment was laid on the table.

Mr. Carroll offered the following amendment, amend by striking out all after the enacting clause and insert. "That the Public Printer shall be paid at former rates and in the like funds that were paid to the Public Printers for the two years preceding and that

the specie in the Treasury be retained for that purpose sufficient to pay the same"

Mr. Olive moved to lay the Bill and the amendment on the table.

Mr. Scott called for a division of the question.

The vote was first taken on the amendment which was laid on the table.

The vote then taken on the motion to lay the Bill on the table, & a division being called for — on account 22 members voted in the affirmation and 29 in the negation — so the Bill was not laid on the table.

Mr. Neal moved that the rules be suspended and the Bill read a third time.

Mr. Scott objected — and a division being had — 37 members voted in the affirmative and 19 in the negative — 2/3 not having voted in the affirmation — the rules were not suspended.

Mr. Harding presented the following report

Mr. Speaker — The Committee of conference to whom was referred House Bill No. 23 Senate amendment entitling an act to prevent the issuing of Executions have had the same under consideration & have instructed me to report that they have agreed to report the Bill with the Senate amendment, striking out of said amendment the words "twelve months" and all after the words "Confederate States" and as so amended recommend the passage of the Bill

Williams Ch. Senate Com.
Harding Ch. House Com.

On motion of Mr. Harding the report was adopted

On motion of Mr. Collins of Dnv. Senate amendment as amended by the Joint Committee of Conference, was concurred in.

Mr. Perkins offered the following resolution

Resolved — That the thanks of this House be tendered to the Hon. John Harrell for the able and dignified manner in which he has performed the arduous duties of his office — which

On motion of Mr. Martin was adopted.

Senate Joint Resolution requiring the State

Treasurer to refund amounts paid out for assisting to prepare War Bonds and Treasury Warrants was taken up

On Motion of Mr. Collins of Dallas the rules were suspended & the resolution was read a second time

On Motion of Mr. Connelly the resolution was laid on the table.

Mr. Harding offered the following resolution Resolved. [redacted] the principal Clerk of this House be and is hereby authorized to employ an assistant Clerk until the close of the present Session of the General Assembly — Which

On Motion of Mr. Robins was adopted.

Mr. Sissel offered the following Joint resolution Resolved — By the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that W. R Miller Auditor of Pub. Acts, be and is hereby requested to turn over to W. D. Jacoway all the papers of his late father Benj. I. Jacoway filed in his office as Marshall of the Western District of Arkansas under the Government of the United States Which was read a first time

On Motion of Mr. Sissel the rules were suspended and the resolution read a second time

On Motion of Mr. Sissel the rules were further suspended & the resolution read a third time and adopted.

Mr. Pettus presented the following report.

Mr. Speaker. — The Joint Committee on Auditors and Treasurers Books ask leave to report. That owing to the vast increase of business in these offices for the last two years consequent upon the existing war between the United States and the Confederate States of America it has been found impossible for the committee without wholly neglecting their legislative duties to make such an examination as would be satisfactory to their own minds as well as to the public. A mere glance into these offices will convince any member of this House that no committee however industrious and energetic they may be could compute cancel & file all the War Bonds, detached Coupons from War Bonds consisting of fractional pieces upon which the interest is to be computed, Treasury Warrants Arkansas Bank paper, Arkansas State

Bonds, and Arkansas State Bank Bonds and Coupons, paid into the State Treasury, during the brief period in which we have been in session but the General Assembly foreseeing the necessity of a thorough examination of these offices have amply provided for it by the passage of an act during the present session constituting a commission of Enquiry into all the fiscal affairs of this State, the offices of the Auditor and Treasurer included. — This action on the part of the General Assembly has wholly relieved your committee from further labor or trouble, all of which is respectfully submitted. D. D. Imboden Chm with part of the Senate.

Allen F. Pettis Chm on the part of the House. —

Which report was on motion adopted.

Mr. Scott presented the following report.

Mr. Speaker — The select committee raised for the purpose of Enquiring from the Governor what steps if any have been taken to carry out the provisions of the act entitled An act to defend and protect the interests of the State of Arkansas in the Swamp and Overflowed Land Grant, beg leave to make the following report, accompanied by a bill.

Little Rock Ark
Executive Office
Nov. 13th 1862

Hon. S. W. Scott
House of Representatives

Enclosed find letter of Gov. Rector which will explain what action has been taken by the late Governor in reference to the act referred to in enclosed resolutions of the House of Representatives.

I have the honor to be
Your obt. Svt.
Thos. Fletcher.

Little Rock
Nov. 12th 1862

His Ex. Thos. Fletcher
Governor of the State of Ark.

Sir, In compliance with your

verbal request I beg leave to state that in view of an act entitled an act to defend and protect the interests of the State of Arkansas in the Swamp and overflowed land grant, approved Jan. 19th 1861 finding it impossible to procure a list of lands certified to the Memphis & Little Rock & H. Smith Roads here, I sent agents to Memphis and Van Buren to procure lists from the Books of the Rail Road companies respectively, the offices being then located at those points.— The offices of the Memphis Road refused peremptorily to permit a list to be taken.— Such also was the case with the offices of the H. Smith Branch, until finally upon interview with the Hon. Jesse Turner President of that Road permission was granted to take copies, but before any material progress could be made the present revolution intervened, suspending the action of the courts, etc. etc. etc. besides which you will observe that according to the provisions of the law in question lists were to be filed with the Clerks by the first Monday following the date of the act. Which I found wholly impracticable. Again I felt well assured that litigation in regard to the lands certified to the main branch of the road—Cairo & Fulton—would be a useless expenditure of public money, conceiving that the State had a fee simple in the lands already by nonuser & forfeiture on the part of the company.— Nor is it absolutely certain that the conditional grant made to the H. Smith Branch has not been forfeited in the same way

Respectfully
H. M. Rector

On motion of Mr Scott the report was adopted. & House bill No 110— Entitled "an act to revive and put in force, an act passed at the last regular session of the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas entitled an act to protect the interests of the State of Arkansas, in the Swamp and overflowed land grants Approved January 19th 1861", was read a first time — On motion of Mr Scott the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time — On motion of

Mr Fincher the rules were further suspended and the bill read a third time and passed, the title was adopted as part of the same –

Mr Williams of Union asked and obtained leave of absence, and on taking leave of the House made the following remarks –

Mr Speaker & Gentlemen of the House –

As an apology for begging leave of absence I am sure I leave the House well provided for living, though flour seems to be a little scarce you are in possession of a Baker and the Counties of Franklin & Madison have sent you their Berrys, and you have Robins a Martin and another Byrd, and I fain hope that you may not become Gantt, under the require – Besides I leave under your control all the gold in the Treasury and hope you will not use upentirely the Gould sent from Pike, unless it should be necessary in filling the Barrels presented by Prairie – And though the enemy may not cause a precipitate retreat from this House yet Lawrence has sent you a Marner to be ready; and Ouachita insists it will do you no Hurt to carry with you the Hurr she presented, as it may be a little Cold; and as you may have no house to shelter you, and may have to depend upon the Hull presented by Marion Madison has kindly provided you a Saylor that the same may be completed Scott free

And as you may attempt to Mynn a great name, for manliness in action, notwithstanding the endeavor of Lewis to Pettus, Columbia and Union insist you shall make a Goodwin or not at all –

In Conclusion anticipating the failure of the legion bill, Independence has magnanimously provided you with Porter, which is less likely to produce weariness in the Knees, and therefore you will not be apt so soon to [illegible] under it influence,

Accept my thanks and goodwill &c

On motion of Mr Williams of Union Mr Connell the farewell remarks of Mr Williams of Union

The following Message was received from the Senate —

Mr. Speaker

The Senate has passed Senate bill No. 39 entitled An Act to arrange the Senatorial districts and to apportion Representatives to the General Assembly among the counties; which is herewith transmitted for the assent of your honorable body, which is respectfully asked.

John D Kimball
Secy Senate

The following message was received from the Senate —

Mr Speaker —

I am instructed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has passed House Bill No 75. Entitled an Act authorizing the issue of Treasury warrants of various denominations; which is herewith returned.

S. D. Kimball
Sec Senate

were ordered to be spread on the Journal -
On motion of Mr Neal the House took a recess until 7 O'clock P.M.

7 O'clock P.M.

Mr Speaker called the House to order -
Mr Pettigrew presented the following report
Mr Speaker - The Committee on enrollment have examined House bills No 35, 97, 98 & 99 and report the same correctly enrolled.

Pettigrew Chm Said Com

On motion House bill No 108 entitled "an act to amend the 27th sec of the 11 Chap of the Digest of the State of Arkansas, was taken up and read a third time, and on motion of Mr Scott the bill was rejected -
Mr Connall presented the following report
Mr Speaker - The Committee on ways & means to whom was referred Senate bill No 53, have instructed me to report the same back, and recommend its passage - Connall Chm
On motion of Mr Scott the report was adopted
On motion of Mr Scott & Senate Bill No 53, Entitled "an act for the more effectual punishment of slaves for arson larceny &c, was read a third time, & passed, the title was then adopted as part of the same -
The following Message was received from the Senate by the Hands of their secretary.
Mr Speaker, I am instructed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has passed the following House bills - No 50 entitled an act for the relief of pensioners in the State of Arkansas, - No 55 entitled "an act to vest the title of the lands known as the Cairo & Fulton rail road in the State of Arkansas No 90 - Entitled an act to extend the powers of the judges of probate in certain cases - No 101 - entitled "an act for the relief of Wm Ogle late Sheriff and Collector of Hot Spring County Ark for the year 1862 - No 104 - entitled an act for the relief of the Louisiana Texas & Arkansas Navigation Company - And has rejected House bill No 47 - Entitled an act to amend the revenue laws - And also House bill No 67 Entitled an act to confer jurisdiction on justices of the peace in actions Ex delicto and for other purpo

and has concurred in House Joint Resolution concerning the 5 per cent fund. And has passed House bill No 66, entitled an act to enable certain free negroes & mulattoes to pay their debts, And has concurred in the amendment reported by the Committee of Conference on House bill 23 entitled an act to prevent the issuing of execution - And has concurred in House amendment to Senate amendment to House bill No 6 entitled an act for the relief of persons holding mortgaged property and others - And has amended and passed House bill No 96, entitled an act to conscript slaves to be used as Cooks, teamsters &c in the army all of which are herewith returned with the amendment to the latter attached thereto for the concurrence of your honorable body which is respectfully asked

The Senate has adopted a joint resolution tendering the Senate Chamber, and Representative hall to the post surgeon for hospital purposes, which is herewith transmitted for the concurrence of your honorable body which is respectfully asked

J. D. Kimbell Secy Senate

Mr Tucker - introduced House bill No 111 entitled "an act to amend an act incorporating the town of Hamburg in Ashley County which was read a first time - On motion of Mr Harding the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time - On motion of Mr Nyman the rules were further suspended and the bill read a third time and passed, The title was then adopted as part of the same -

Mr Collins of Drew introduced House bill No 112, entitled "an act to suspend the statute of limitations" which was read a first time On motion of Mr Collins of Drew, the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time On motion of Mr Scott the rules were further suspended and the bill read a third time & passed, The title was then adopted as part of the same -

The following message was rec'd from the Senate —

Mr Speaker

I am instructed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has passed Senate bill to be entitled an act concerning the mode of changing venues ~~to suspend the Statutes of limitations~~ in certain cases, which is herewith transmitted for the assent of your honorable body, which is respectfully asked

A D Hazlett
Secy Senate

Mr Lenning presented the following resolution —

Resolved, By the General Assembly of the State of Ill Kansas, that the Committee appointed by the General Assembly to examine the ~~accounts~~ & Treasurer's books be requested, if practicable to complete said Examination & have the report printed to accompany the Journals of the present session, which was read a first time

On motion of Mr Pennington the rules were suspended and the resolution read a second time — Mr Martin moved to lay the resolution on the table which was lost — On motion of Mr Williamson the rules were further suspended and the resolution read a third time and adopted

Mr Lowry introduced House bill No 113 entitled "an act to change the time of holding the County Court of Chicot County" which was read a first time — On motion of Mr Lowry the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time — On motion of Mr Williamson the rules were further suspended and the bill read a third time and passed, The title was then adopted as part of the same —

On motion of Mr. Pennington, Senate Joint Resolution tendering the Senate Chamber & Repr Hall for hospital purposes was taken up and read a first time — On motion of Mr Warner the rules were suspended and the resolution read a second time. — On motion of Mr Fiser the rules were further suspended & the resolution read a third time and adopted —

Senate Amendments to House bill No 220 &c, were on motion of Mr Neal taken up and concurred in —

Senate bill No 5 &c entitled an act to arrange the senatorial districts and to apportion representation in the general assembly among the counties

was taken up and read a first time, On motion of Mr Neal the rules were suspended and the bill read a second time, On motion of Mr Collins of Drew the rules were further suspended & the bill read a third time & passed The title was then adopted as part of the same,

On motion of Mr. Lisle the vote on passing

to suspend the rules in order for the third reading of Senate Bill No. 69. ~~was~~ reconsidered

Mr. Neal moved to suspend the rules in order that the Bill may be read a third time — Mr. Scott objected — & upon a division 41 members voted in the affirmative & 7 in the negative — no quorum voting Mr. Neal moved for a Call of the House.

Mr. Collins of Dorr moved to suspend the Call — ~~Mr.~~ Speaker directed the roll to be called on the motion to suspend the rules, and the roll was called and 47 members voted in the affirmative & 12 in the negative — so the rules were suspended and the Bill read a third time & on the question of the passage of the Bill Mr. Scott called for the Ayes & Noes which call being sustained the roll was called.

Those members who voted in the affirmative were Messrs. Baker Barnes Carpenter Cheetham Collins of Bradley Collins of Dorr English Fletcher Fuller Gantt Goodwin of Columbia Goodwin of Union Harris Harrison Haynes Hoit Jenkins Lewis Lowry McCollum McFadden Moseley Noyes Neal Pennington Pettengrew Pettus Porter Robins Sisel & Warner — 30 votes

Those members who voted in the negative were Messrs Bradbury Cochran Connelly Fair Hammond Harding Hull ~~Hunt~~ Long of Hot Spring Lafferty Mallory Martin Murphy Olin Phillips Powell Perkins Richardson Scott Stoddard Teague Tucker Tuttle Welborn Wilcox Williamson Wilson Wright & Mr Speaker — 30 votes, & the Speaker pronounced that the Bill was ~~opened~~ lost rejected

Mr Long called up Senate Bill No. 60 entitled an Act concerning the issuance of change tickets in certain cases which was read a first time, the rule of the House was suspended and the bill read a second time. On motion of Mr Hull the Bill was laid on the table until 4th of July next

Mr Long offered the following resolution

Resolved that the Committee to whom the bill abolishing company land officers was referred report the same — which on motion was adopted.

The House then went into secret session on company attorneys and after some

time spent therein, The House went again into Ten Reduction - And on motion of Mr Collins of Drew The House adjourned until 8 1/2 Oclock Monday Morning -

John Barnell
Speaker

Hall of the House of Representatives
Little Rock Ark
Dec 1st 1862

House met, pursuant to adjournment
Prayer by the Revd Mr McKenzie Chaplain
The roll was called Mr Fenton Howell Martin and Porter were absent
Journal of Saturday read and approved
on motion of Mr Robins. The reading of the Treasurers Statement in the journal of Saturday was dispensed with
Mr Speaker stated that the announcement of the vote on the final passage of Senate bill No 69 made by him on Saturday Evening was incorrect Mr Speaker then announced that 31 members voted in the affirmative and 30 in the negative and that the bill had passed, the Clerk was then instructed to inform the Senate of the same and correct the indorsement on said bill
Mr Robins offered the following resolution
Resolved that the thanks of the House of representatives are hereby tendered to the Clerks for their prompt, faithful and energetic discharge of their duties
Resolved further that immediately preceding the announcement of the adjournment, the Speaker of the house be and he is hereby requested to offer a prayer as the most fitting close to a session of great harmony and it is hoped of much good which a motion was adopted
Mr Barnell offered the following joint resolution
Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that the Secretary of State copy as soon as possible all the laws of a general nature or having reference to the whole State and transmit them as fast as copied to the public printer whose duty it shall be to publish them in the weekly issue of his papers and transmit two

copies of each weekly issue to the clerk of each county in this state — which was read a first time Mr Scott moved to reject the resolution, on which the ayes and noes were called for the call was sustained and the roll called those members voting in the affirmative were Messrs Bradshaw, English, Hammack Hardin, Haynes, Hurt Lafferty, Mallory - Murphy, Olwen, Phillips, Scott, Stoddard Tucker, & Warren 15 ayes

Those members voting in the negative were Messrs Baker, Barnes, Byrd, Carnall, Cheatham Cochran Collins of Bradley. Collins of Lewis Connelly, Fain, Fletcher Fuss Goodwin of Columbia, Goodwin of union, Harris, Harrison Holt Hull, Jones of Hot Spring Lemons McCallum, McFadden, Maxley, Naylor, Neal, Pennington Pettigrew, Pettus Richardson Robins, Russell, Teague Tuttle Welborn, Wilcoxen, Wilson Wycough Wynn and Mr Speaker 39 Noes, and so the resolution was not rejected

Mr Carnall moved to suspend the rules in order that the ~~bill~~ resolution might be read a 2d time, Mr Scott objected and upon a division had 40 members voted in the affirmative and 15 in the negative - so the rules were suspended and the resolution read a 2d time

The following message was received from the Senate by the hands of their secretary

Mr Speaker I am instructed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has passed the following, House bills

No 110 Entitled an act to revive and put in force an act passed at the last regular session of the General assembly of the State of Arkansas Entitled an act to protect the interest of the State of Arkansas in the swamp and overflowed land grant approved Aug 19th 1861

No 111 Entitled an act to amend an act incorporating the town of Hamburg Ashley County

No 112, Entitled an act to suspend the statutes of limitation in certain cases

No 113 Entitled an act to change the time of holding the County court of Chicot Co,

And the Senate has concurred in House joint resolutions as follows. One concerning the Establishment of Medical dispensaries for the purpose of furnishing medicines to families of soldiers

One concerning mail route from Quitman via Wiles Point, Kinderhook & Rigsville to Mt olive in Izard County

One requiring the auditor to turn over certain papers to W L Isaacway

are asking payment of Militia called out by Genl Ben McCulloch & others in this State
and are requesting commissioners of Inquiry to make report on Auditors and Treasurers books in time to accompany the acts and Journals, all of which are herewith returned
The Senate has rejected House bill No 32, to be Entitled an act for the relief of certain persons in the State of Arkansas; which is also returned
The Senate has passed Senate bill No 68 to be Entitled an Act for the relief of the Several Cond officers in the State of Arkansas; which is herewith transmitted for the concurrence of your honorable body which is respectfull asked
The Senate has concurred in House amendments to Senate bill No 41 Entitled an act to provide for home defence and against insurrection; but has refused to concur in House amendment to Senate bill No 44 entitled an Act to amend the law in regard to attachments which is returned for your further consideration

John D Kimbell Secy Senate

Mr. Pettigrew presented the following reports.

Mr. Speaker — The committee on Enrolments delivered to the governor on the 28th day of November, 1862 House Bills No. 30, 65, 87, 89, 84, 81 & 86, and 2 House Joint Resolutions for his approval and have instructed me to report the same to this House. —

Pettigrew Chairman of said Committee

Mr. Speaker The committee on Enrolments delivered to the governor for his approval House Bills No. 35, 97, 98 & 99 on the 28th day of Nov. 1862.

Pettigrew Chm. of said committee.

Mr. Speaker, The committee on Enrolments have Examined House Bills No. 55, 71, 109, 104, 95, 90, 101, 107, 94, 111, 113, 110, 112, 6, 27, 96, 50, 33, 75, 66, and 6 Joint resolutions and report the same correctly enrolled — and have delivered the same to the governor for his approval this 1st day of Dec A.D. 1862.

Pettigrew Chm. of said committee.

Mr. Scott moved to amend the resolution by inserting after the word "paper" the words "also in the Arkansas State Gazette, — Mr. Sixel moved to lay the amendment on the table — a division was called for & 42 members voted in the affirmative and 6 in the negative — & a quorum not voting — Mr. Scott called for the ayes & noes, which call being sustained the roll was called, — Those members voting in the affirmative were Messrs. Baker Barnes Byrd Carnall Cheatham, Cochran Collins of Bradley, Collins of Drew Connelly Dain Fletcher Furr Gardner of Columbia Gardner of Union Hammack Havelson Harding Harris Haynes Holt Hull Hunt Jenkins, Jones of Hot Spring, Lafferty Lemay Lowry McCollum McFadden Morley Murphy Naylor Neal Oliver Pettigrew Pettus Richardson Robins Sissel Stoddard Teague Turner Welborn Wilcoxen Wilson Wyatt Wynne and Mr. Speaker — 48 Ayes. Those members who voted in the negative were Messrs: Bradham English Mallory Pennington Scott Tucker & Williamson — 7 noes, — so the motion to lay on the table was carried, —

Mr Scott moved to amend the resolution by adding "Provided that the Public Printer shall have no fees for publication in his paper" — which amendment, on motion of Mr. Harding was laid on the table, — On motion of Mr. Neal the rules were suspended and the resolution read a third time and adopted.

Mr. Hull offered the following resolution:

Resolved — By the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that the sum of Fifteen Thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the specie now in the Treasury for the purpose of buying Cotton and Woolen Cards, to be distributed over the State for the use of Soldiers families, and those in need of assistance, and

that the Governor be authorized to use the seal of money when he shall deem it necessary to carry into the meaning of this resolution.

On motion of Mr. Holt the rules were suspended and the resolution read a second time.

Mr. Tucker moved to lay the resolution on the table. — on which motion Mr. Holt called for the ayes & noes, which call being sustained, the roll was called. — Those members who voted in the affirmative were Messrs. Carnall, Collins of Bradley, Collins of Drew, Connelly, English, Goodwin of Columbia, Harding, Hunt, Jenkins, Jones of Hot Springs, Malloy, McCollum, Manley, Murphy, Olive, Phillips, Richardson, Tucker, Tullis, Warner, Welborn, Wyatt & Wynn — 28 ayes.

Those members who voted in the negative were Messrs. Baker, Barnes, Bradshaw, Byrd, Fletcher, Ferr, Goodwin of Lincoln, Hammack, Hazalcom, Harding, Harrison, Hughes, Holt, Hull, Lafferty, Leming, McFadden, Taylor, Cunningham, Pettigrew, Pettus, Robins, Sissel, Stoddard, Teague, Wilcoxen, Williamson, Wilson & Mr. Speaker — 29 noes.

So the resolution was not laid on the table.

Mr. Sissel moved to amend the resolution by saying "and distributing them equally among all the counties of this State".

Mr. Byrd moved to amend the amendment by saying "to be distributed among the counties of the State according to the representation of each. —

And on the question of adopting the amendment to the amendment a division was had, and 33 members voted in the affirmative and 13 in the negative — no quorum having voted — whereupon

Mr. Tucker moved to lay the resolution and amendments on the table — which motion was carried.

The following message was received from the Governor by the hands of his Private Secretary: Mr Speaker — I am instructed by the Governor to inform the House of Representatives that on the 29th day of November 1862 he approved and signed the following acts, to wit, An act to extend the limits and the Charter of the town of Monticello — An act to amend the revenue laws of the State of Arkansas — An act to authorize the County Court of Drew County to dispose of a certain lot of land, within the limits of the town of Monticello — an act to regulate the pay of Associate Justices of the Circuit Court of Prairie County — An act to authorize the Commissioners for Common Schools in Desha County to deliver certain papers to the Treasurer of Drew County — An act to change the time of holding the Circuit Courts in the third Judicial District — An act supplemental to an act passed at the present session of the General Assembly for the relief of the families of the western frontier counties, who are destitute of bread, stuff — An act to abolish the office of Cultural Improvement Commissioner for the County of Prairie and for other purposes — An act supplementary to an act to provide for the election of an assessor for Columbia County — An act for the relief of the Sheriff of Washington County — An act to prevent the sale of ardent spirits within two miles of Paraclifta Academy — Also House resolution requiring the Secretary of State to furnish one bound copy of the Geological Report of the State of Arkansas to each member of the General Assembly and the remainder to be distributed for the use of the State in the several Counties — And House resolution investing the Governor with authority to remove the Seat of Government when it becomes necessary &c, as also the Judges of the Chancery & Supreme Courts the books, papers and effects belonging thereto, to be removed to the temporary seat of Government, and their respective Courts to be held there for the time being — Dec 1st 1862. — Mr Anthony Private Secretary

Senate bill No 68, entitled An act for the relief of the Clerical Land Officers in the State of Arkansas, was taken up and read a first time.

The following message was received from the Senate by the hands of their Secretary — Mr Speaker — I am instructed by the Governor to inform your honorable body that the Senate have adopted a joint resolution in reference to procuring a suitable Land System for the State; the concurrence in which by your honorable body is respectfully asked. — John D. Rinkell Secy Senate

On motion of Mr Pettis Senate Bill No 68 was rejected —
Mr Lowry called up Senate Joint Resolution prior requested from the Senate, to provide for a suitable land system for the State — which was read a first time and on motion of Mr Tucker rejected
Mr Pennington offered the following resolution — Resolved, that the enrolling Clerk of this House be authorized to employ an assistant in order to get his bills enrolled by the time the General Assembly adjourns — which on motion of Mr Tucker was adopted —
The Senate's refusal to concur in House amendment to Senate bill No 44, entitled an act to amend the law in regard to attachments was taken up, & on motion of Mr Lowry the House receded from the amendment —
Mr Scott laid before the House Enrolled House bills No^s 33 & 78 — with a verbal statement of the objection of the Governor to the bills — when on motion of Mr Scott the bills were returned to a select Committee of three, with instructions to report this afternoon — Mr Speaker appointed as such Committee Messrs Pettis, Sirene & Tucker —
On motion of Mr Harding Mr Haynes was added to the Committee
On motion of Mr Tucker Mr Harding was also added to said Committee —
On motion of Mr Harding the House took a recess until 2 o'clock P.M.

2 o'clock, P.M.

Mr Speaker called the House to order
On motion of Mr Harding the Journal of this morning was read —
Mr Pettis from Select Committee appointed this morning on subject matter to house Enrolled bills nos 33 & 78 — introduced house bill no 114 Entitled an act supplementary to an act Entitled an act authorizing the issue of Treasury warrants of various denominations passed at the present session of the General Assembly" which was read a 1st time on motion of Mr Pettis the rules were suspended and the bill read a 2d time on motion of Mr Tucker the rules were further suspended and the bill read a 3d time and passed the Title was then adopted as a part of the same
Mr Pettis from same Committee introduced house bill No 115 Entitled an act supplemental to an act to suspend the revised laws of this State which was read a first time on motion of Mr Tucker the rules were suspended and bill read a 2d time on motion of Mr Pettigrew the rules were further suspended and the bill read a 3d time and passed the Title was then adopted as part of the same
The following message was then received from the Governor by the hands of his private Secretary
Mr Speaker
I am instructed by the Governor to inform your Honorable Body that on the 1st day of December

1862 He approved and signed the following acts to wit,
An act to revive and put in force an act passed at the
last regular session of the General Assembly of the State of
Arkansas, Entitled an act to defend and protect the interest
of the State of Arkansas in the swamp and overflowed land
grants approved January 19th 1861
An act for the relief, of the Louisiana Texas and Arkansas
Navigation Company
An act to provide for the relief of needy and destitute
families of Soldiers in this State
An act making appropriations for the year one Thousand
Eight hundred and Sixty three and for part of the year one
Thousand Eight hundred and Sixty four and for balances due
from the State
An act supplemental to an act Entitled an act making
appropriations for the year one Thousand Eight hundred
and Sixty three and part of the year one Thousand Eight
hundred and Sixty ~~four~~ five and for balances due from the State
An act to Extend the powers of the judges of Probate in certain
cases — An act to repeal an ordinance of the convention
Entitled an ordinance for the benefit of Arkansas County
An act for the relief of persons holding mortgaged property
and others. An act for the relief of William Eagle late
Sheriff and Collector of Hot Spring County Ark. and for the
year 1862 — An act to invest the lands thereon in the Cairo
and fulton rail road land, in the State of Arkansas
An act to repeal certain laws relative to levees
in Chicot County, and confer on the County Court
of said County the power to levy and collect a specific
tax for the purpose of building levees in said County
and for other purposes — An act to amend an act
incorporating the town of Hamburg, Ashley County
An act to change the time of holding the County
Court of Chicot County — An act to prevent the
carrying of Exportations — An act to conscript
planters to be used as Cooks, teamsters &c in the
army — An act for the relief of Prisoners in
the State of Arkansas, An act to enable certain
free negroes and mulattoes to pay their debts
An act to suspend the statute of limitations in
certain cases — House resolution
requesting the auditor of Public accounts to open an account
of the books of his office with the five per cent fund
and to credit said fund with certain moneys received from
the United States — House Resolution instructing and requesting
our Senators and Representatives in Congress to procure
pay for the militia and citizens of Arkansas who rallied
to the call of Genl Ben McCulloch when the State was invaded

by the northern Enemy
House resolution requesting the Committee appointed by the General assembly to Examine Auditors and Treasurers books to complete said examination and have the report printed to accompany the journals of the present session
House Resolution instructing and requesting our Senators and Representatives in Congress to use their influence to continue the mail route from Quitman Post office in VanBuren County by Mellers point Kinderhook Reyssville to Mount Olive in Izard County Arks once a week on horse back — House Resolution requesting our Senators and representatives in Congress to urge the passage of a bill authorizing the various medical directors and Purveyors to establish a dispensary for the purpose of furnishing medicines to families of soldiers engaged in the service of the Confederate States
December 1st 1862, W. M. Matheney Private Secretary

Mr. Pettigrew made a verbal report that the committee on Enrollment had examined House Joint resolution requiring the public printer to publish all the acts of a general nature in his paper &c. have examined the same & find it correctly enrolled.

On motion of Mr. Pennington the House went into secret session, & after some time spent therein — the doors were again opened & the House went into open session.

Mr Lowry offered the following resolution:
Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that the Secretary of State be instructed to have printed only 500 copies of the journals of the General assembly for the present. — Which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr Sisell the rules were suspended & the resolution read a second time
Mr. Harding offered the following amendment — amend by inserting in lieu of 500 copies the word none. — Mr Harding moved the adoption of the amendment which motion was lost. On motion of Mr. Robins the rules were suspended & the resolution read a third time & adopted.

The following message was received from the senate by the hands of their Secy.
Mr. Speaker — I am instructed to inform your Hon. body that the senate has concurred in House Joint resolution requiring the public printer to publish acts of general importance in his paper which is herewith returned. The Senate has adopted a joint resolution requiring the publication of the report of the Committee on a land system with the acts which is herewith transmitted for the concurrence of yr. Hon. body which is respectfully asked
Jno D. Kimbell Sec. Senate.

Mr. Neal offered the following resolution:
Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that a Joint committee of one from the senate & two from the House be appointed to wait on the Governor and inform him that the General Assembly will adjourn sine die on this day being the 1st day of December AD. 1862 and ask respectfully if he has any further communication to make to them.
Which on motion of Mr. Robins was adopted & Mr Speaker appointed Messrs Neal & Oliver said Committee on the part of the House
Senate Joint resolution relative to publication of report of Committee on Land System. was read a first time & on motion of Mr. Harding was rejected. — Mr. Lowry moved to reconsider the ~~vote~~ rejecting the resolution which was carried — Mr Carnall moved to amend by inserting "Senate" before the word select — which on motion of Mr. Robins was adopted. On motion of Mr Hart the Resolution as amended was then adopted — On motion of Mr Goodwin of Union the House took a recess for 15 minutes — The 15 minutes having expired Mr Speaker called the House to order — & on motion went into secret session and after some time spent therein went again into open session — & On motion of Mr Malloy the House took a recess until 7 O'clock P.M. —

The following message was received from the Governor. — Mr. Speaker — I am instructed by the Governor to inform the House of Representatives that on the 29th day of Nov. 1862 he approved and signed the following acts, to wit: An act to extend the limits and the charter of the town of Monticello; An act to amend the Revenue laws of the State of Arkansas; An act to authorize the County Court of Drew County to dispose of a certain lot of land within the limits of the town of Monticello; An act to regulate the pay of the associate Justices of the County Court of Prairie County; An act to authorize the Commissioner of Common Schools in Ashley county to deliver certain papers to the Treasurer of Drew County; An act to change the time of holding the circuit Courts in the third Judicial Circuit; An act supplemental to an Act passed at the present session of the General assembly for the relief of the families of the western frontier Counties who are destitute of Bread stuffs; an act to abolish the office of Internal improvement Commissioner for the County of Prairie, and for other purposes; An act supplemental to an act to provide for the election of an Assessor for the County of Columbia; An Act for the relief of the Sheriff of Washington County; An act to prevent the sale of ardent spirits within two miles of Paraclifta Academy; Also House resolution requiring the Secretary of State to furnish one bound copy of the Geological Report of the State of Arkansas, to each member of the General assembly, and the remainder to be distributed for the use of the State, in the several Counties; and House resolution investing the Governor with authority to ~~move~~ the seat of Government when it become necessary, &c.; as also the Judges of the ~~Supreme~~ Chancery & Supreme Courts, the books, papers and effects belonging thereto, to be removed to the temporary seat of Government, and their respective courts to be held there for the time being.
December 1st 1862, W. M. Matheny, Private Secretary.

Mr Speaker called the House to order - 7 O'clock P.M.
The Journals of this afternoon was read - Mr Byrd presented the following report. Mr Speaker the Committee on enrollments have compared house bills No 114 & 115 and find them correctly enrolled - Byrd Chairman pro tem -
The following message was received from the Senate - Mr Speaker I am instructed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has assented to House bill No 114 Entitled an act supplementary to an act Entitled an act authorizing the issue of Treasury warrants of various denominations passed at the present Session of the General Assembly - also to House bill No 115 Entitled an act supplemental to an act to suspend the revenue laws of this State - Said two bills are herewith returned
The Senate has amended & concurred in House joint resolution directing the Secy of State to have printed only 500 copies of the Journals of this General Assembly which is returned with the amendment attached for your consideration The Senate has adopted a joint resolution concerning the appointment of agents to procure cotton & wool cards &c to be exchanged for substitutes for the army in the Trans Miss Dist which is herewith transd for the consideration of your honorable body - The Senate has concurred in House resolution for a joint committee to wait on the Governor & inform him of the readiness of both houses to adjourn sine die - Mr Hampton constitutes such committee on part of the Senate
Jno. D. Kimbell Secy Senate

Senate amendment to House Joint Resolution requiring the Secretary of State to have only 500 copies of the Journals of the present session printed was taken up and concurred in.

Senate Joint Resolution relative to the appointment of agents to procure cotton & Woolen cards &c to be exchanged for substitutes for the Army in the Trans. Miss. Dist. - Was taken up read a first time - On motion of Mr. Farr the rules were suspended & the resolution read a second time - On motion of Mr. Harris the rules were further suspended & the resolution read a third time & adopted.
On motion of Mr. Collins of Orr the bill first taken up Senate joint resolution was reconsidered - & on motion of Mr. Harding the resolution was repealed.

The following message was received from the Governor.
Mr. Speaker I am instructed by the Governor to inform the House of Representatives that on the 1st day of December 1862 he approved and signed House resolution requiring the Sec. of State to cause as soon as possible all the laws of a general character and transmit them to the public printer whose duty it shall be to publish them in the weekly issues of his paper and send two copies to the clerk of each county. - House Resolution that W. R. Miller Auditor be requested to turn over to W. D. Jacoway all the papers of the late Benj. I. Jacoway which was filed in his office as Master of the Western Dist. of Arkansas under the Government of the United States - Also An act to suspend the Revenue Laws of this State and for other purposes. - An act authorizing the issue of Treasury Warrants of various denominations. - An act supplementary to an act entitled An act authorizing the issuing of Treasury warrants of various denominations passed at the present session of the general assembly. - An act supplemental to an act to suspend the revenue laws of this State. Dec. 1st 1862. W. M. Mathews Private Secretary.

Mr. Phillips offered the following resolution: Resolved that each member be allowed to retain for his use the copy of the digest of the statutes now on his table. - Which on motion of Mr. Lucken was laid on the table.
The following message was received from the Governor: - Mr. Speaker I am requested by the Governor to report to the House of Representatives that he approved and signed on the 1st day of Dec. 1862, a resolution instructing the Sec. of State to have printed only 500 copies of the Journals of the present session of the General Assembly. - Dec. 1st 1862. W. M. Mathews Priv. Secy.
Mr. Oliver presented the following report: Mr. Speaker - The Joint committee who were requested to wait on His Ex. the Governor & inform him that the General assembly is now ready to adjourn has performed that duty & was instructed to report the following communication from His Ex. the Governor. - Hill & Oliver committee on the part of the Senate, which report was adopted.
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To the Speakers of the House of Reps. - Accept my thanks for the courtesy received from the members of your Hon. body - I have no further communication to make to the General assembly, and see no reason why it may not adjourn sine die. - Accept my best wishes for your welfare
I am yours Off. Rest. H. Flanagin.
Mr. Byrd presented the following report: Mr. Speaker your Committee on Enrollments have examined House Resolution & find it correctly enrolled. Byrd Chm. pro tem.
Mr. Oliver offered the following resolution: Resolved that the Clerk transmit a message to the Senate informing them that the House of Representatives has transacted all business before it for the present session & are now ready to adjourn sine die. Which on motion was adopted.
The following message was received from the Senate by the hands of their Secretary: Mr. Speaker I am instructed to inform your Honorable body that the Senate has completed its business for the present session & are now ready to adjourn sine die. - J. D. Kimball Sec Senate
Mr. Speaker then offered a prayer. - after which declared the session closed & the House of Representatives to be adjourned sine die by virtue of the joint resolution adopted for that purpose.

Attest
C. M. Medcraft,
Clk. H. of Reps.

John Walker Speaker of the House of Representatives